



Van afweer tot therapie: hoe we ons immuunsysteem kunnen benutten om ziektes te bestrijden



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 - Celtherapie



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Het immuunsysteem

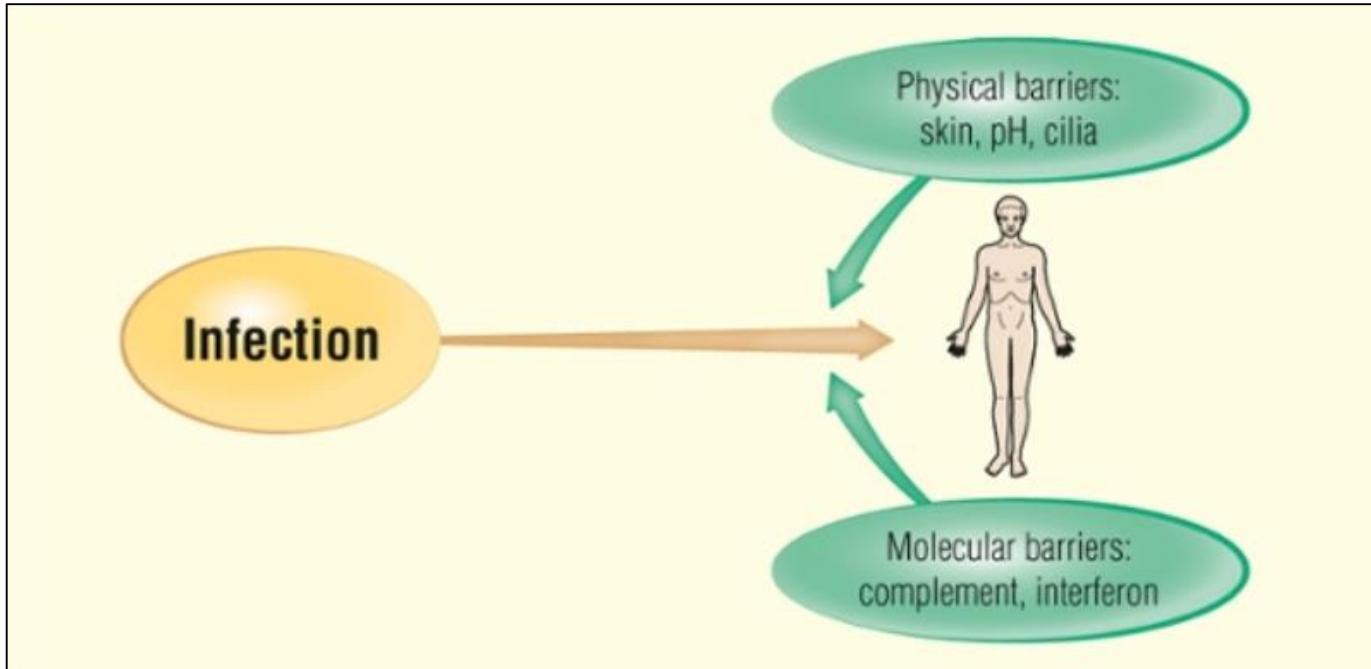


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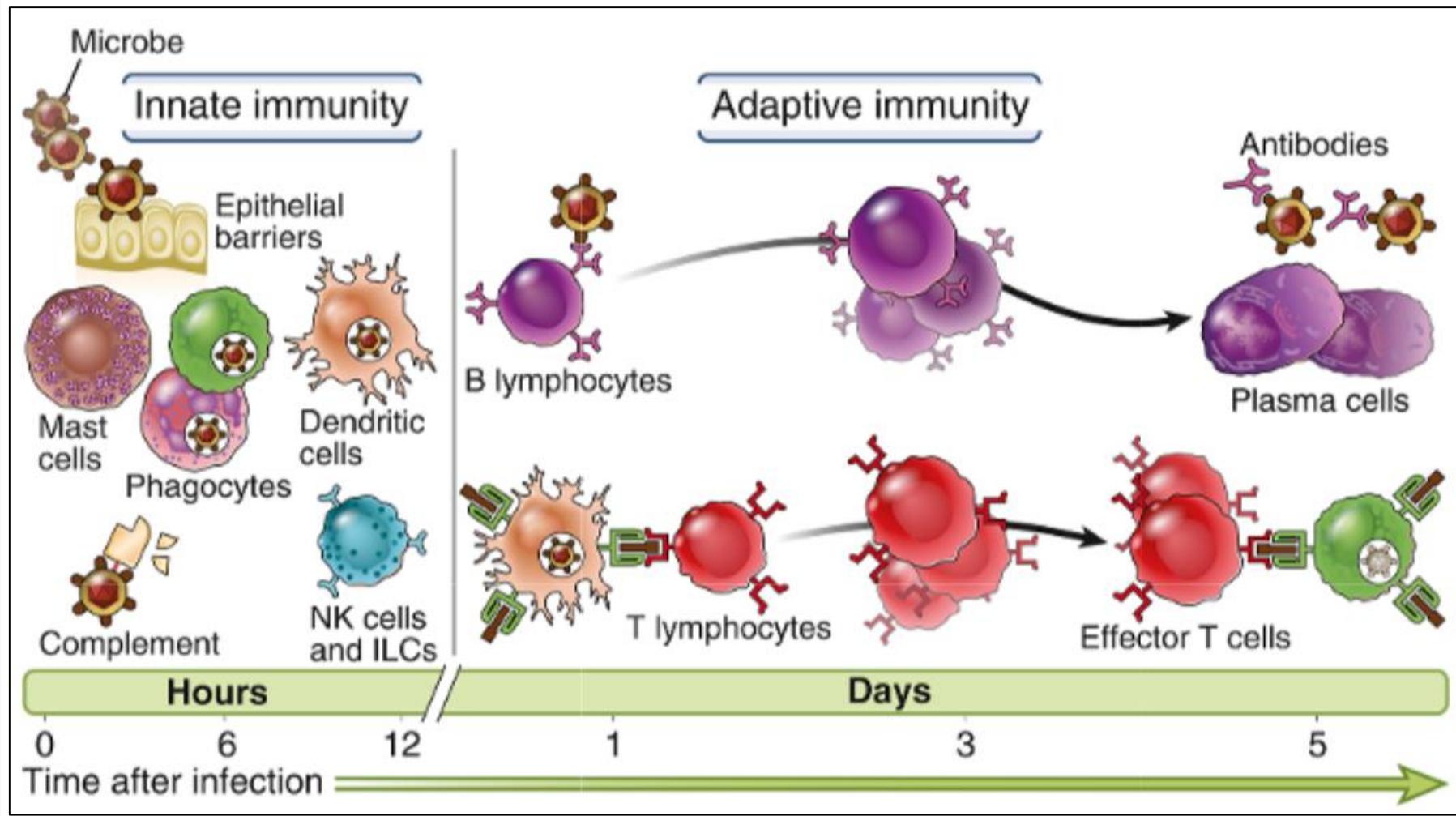
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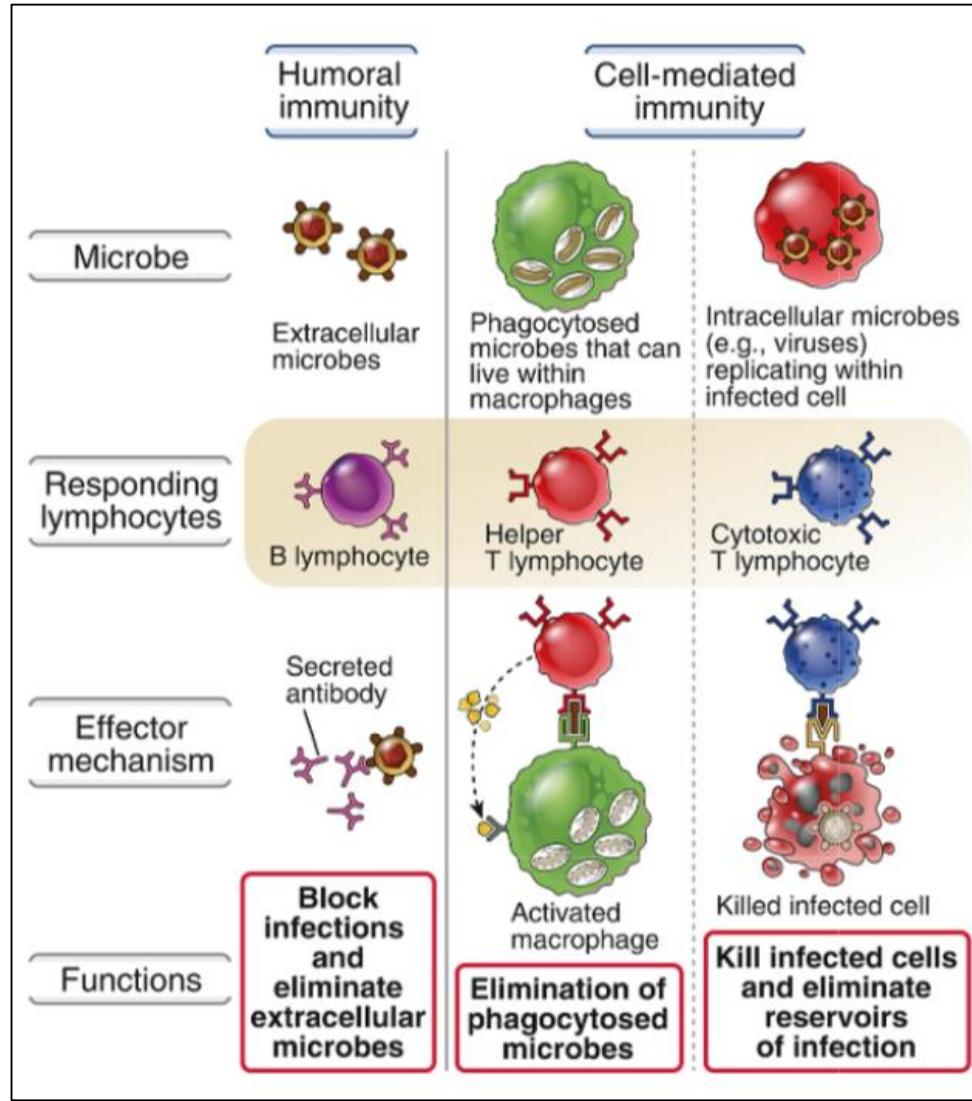
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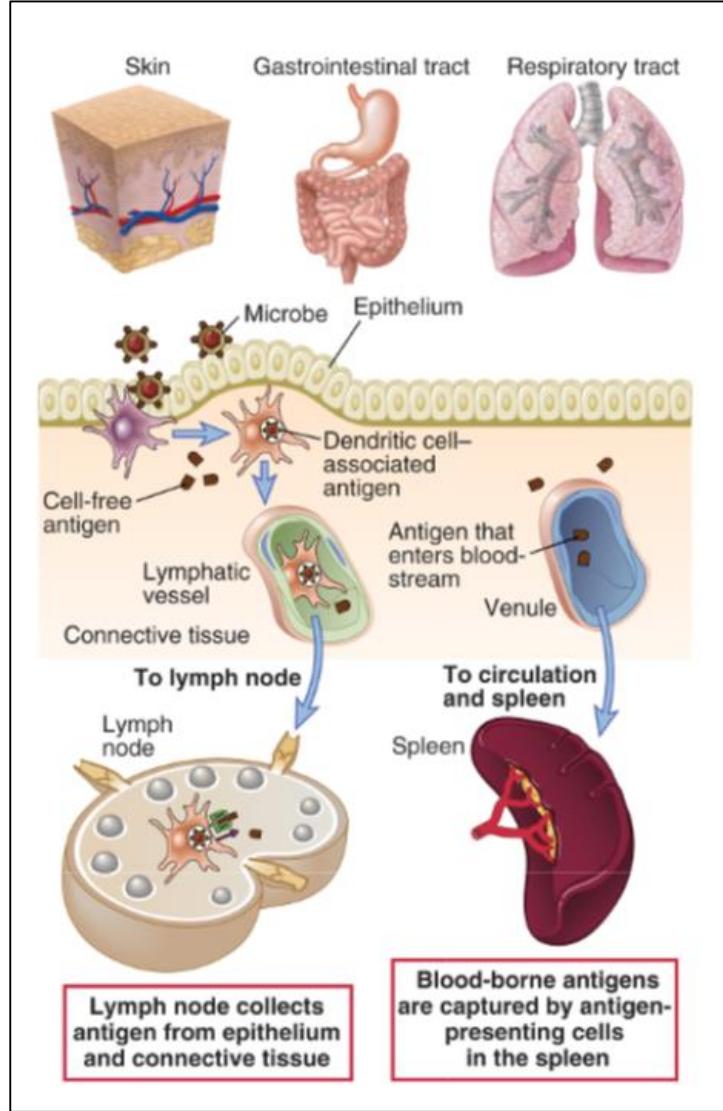
Aangeboren vs verworven



Types verworven immuunresponsen



Vangen en presenteren van microbiële antigenen

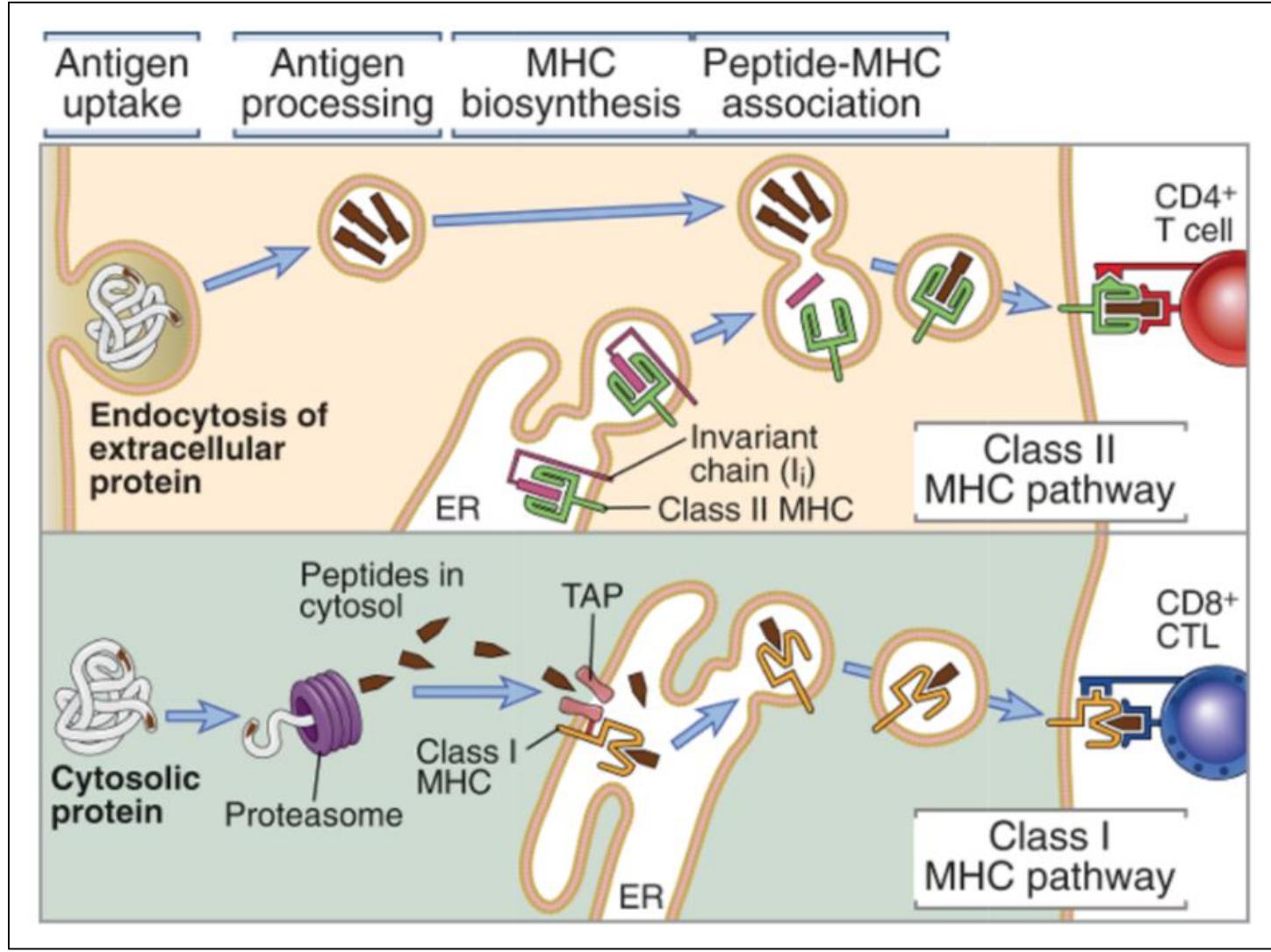


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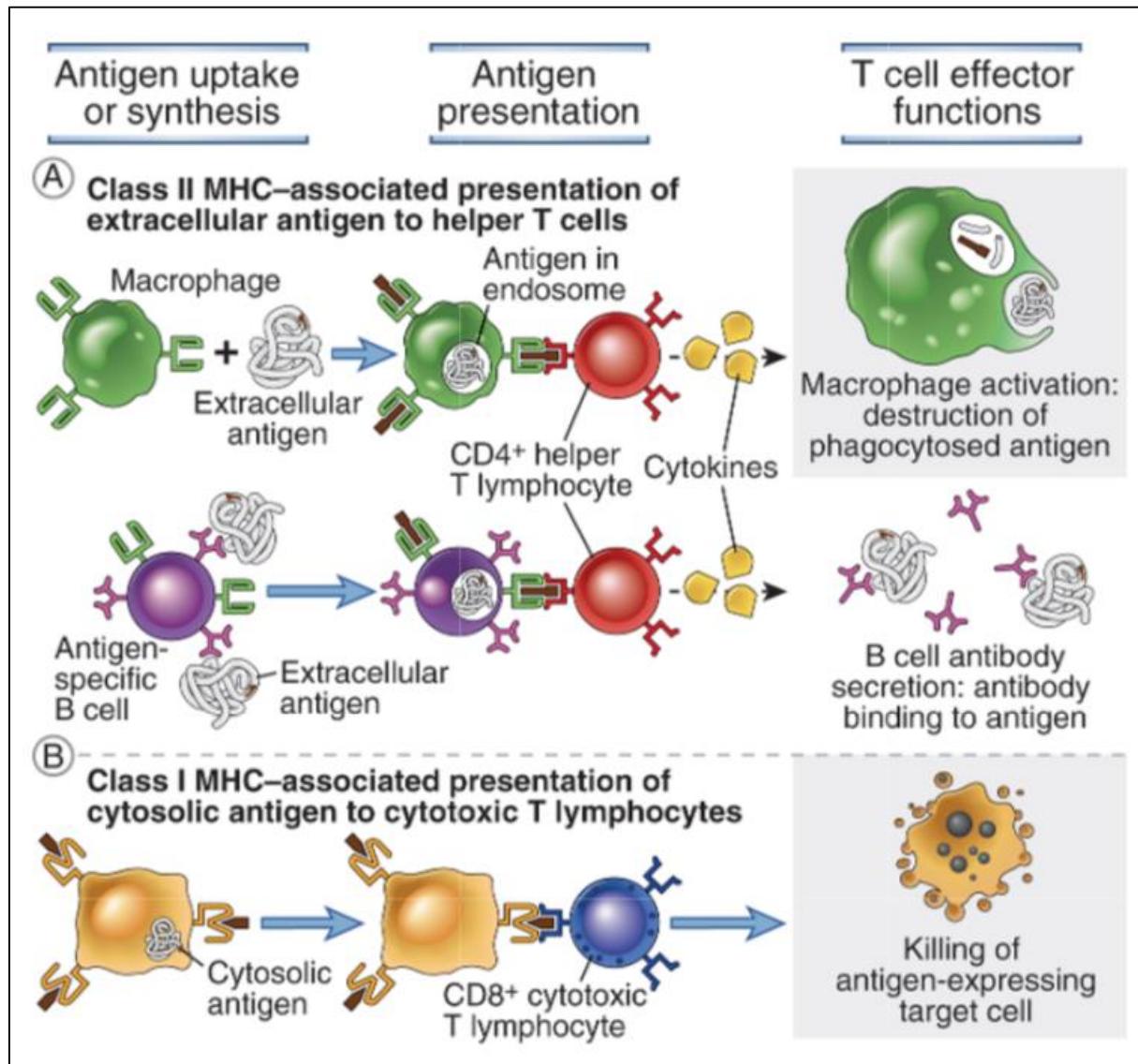
Weefsel APC

Secundaire lymfoïde organen

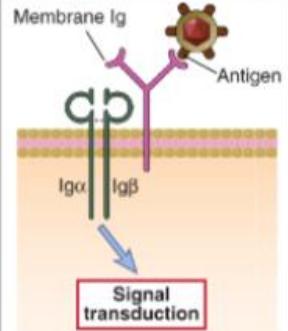
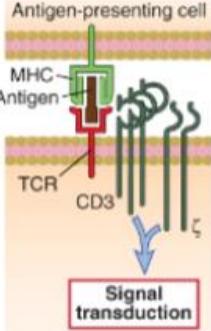
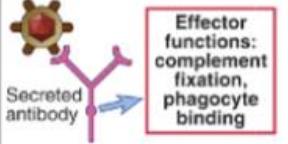
Antigen presentatie aan T-cellen



Effector functies van T-cellen

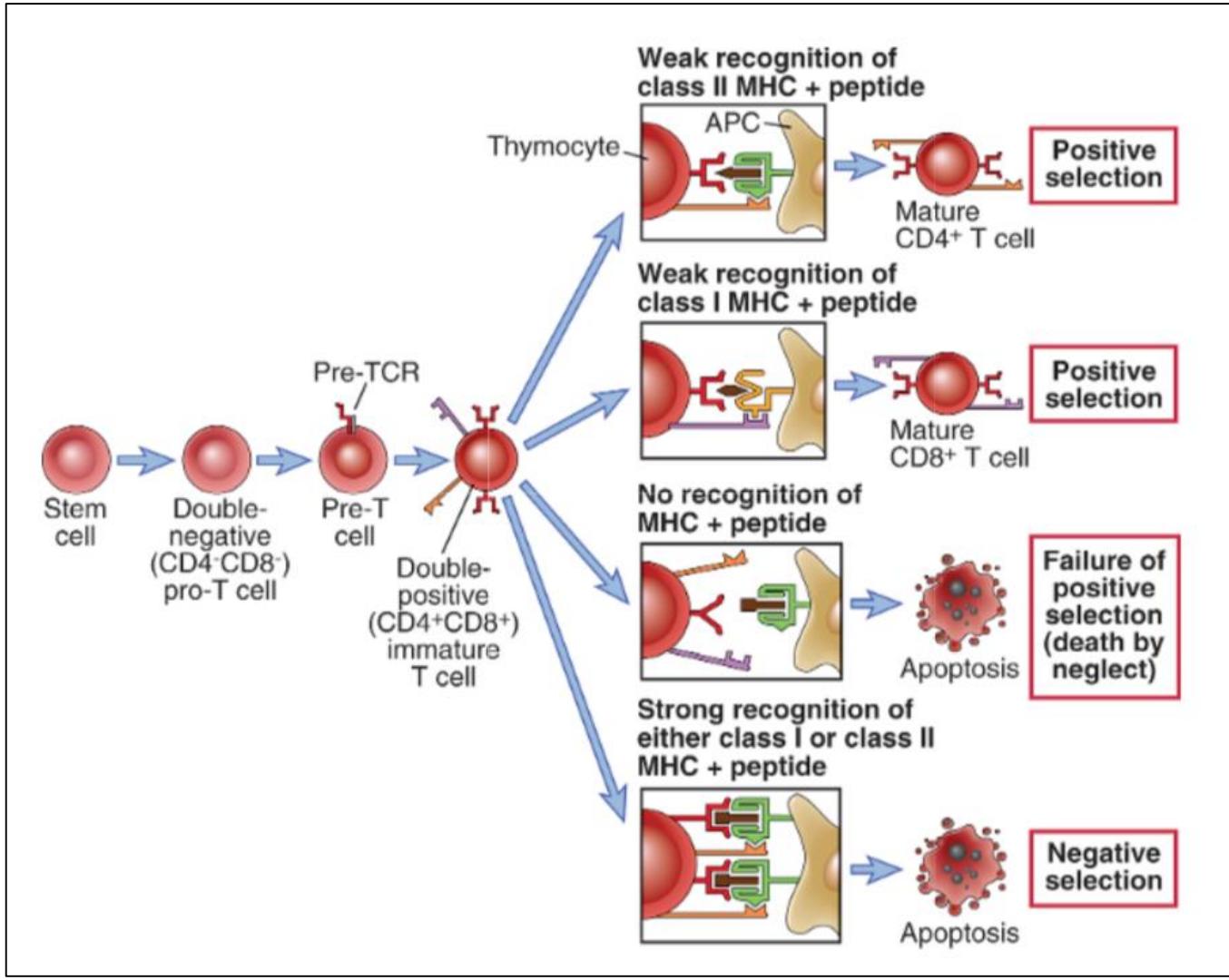


Antilichaam vs T cel receptor

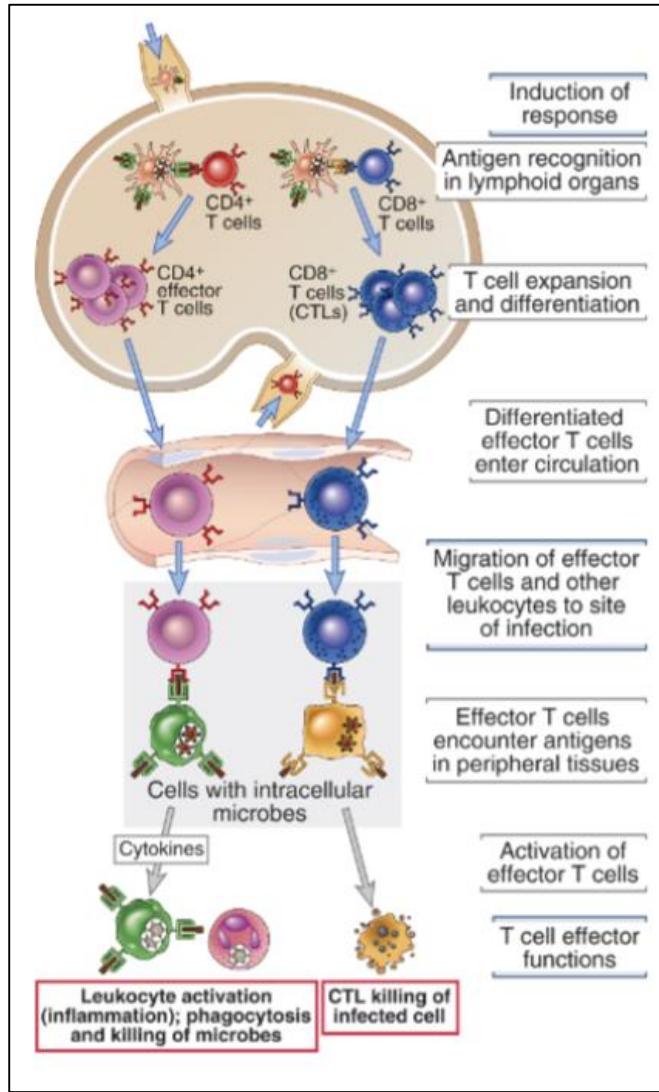
Feature or function	Antibody (Immunoglobulin)	T cell receptor (TCR)
	 <p>Membrane Ig Igα Igβ Antigen</p> <p>Signal transduction</p>	 <p>Antigen-presenting cell MHC Antigen TCR CD3 ζ</p> <p>Signal transduction</p>
	 <p>Secreted antibody</p> <p>Effector functions: complement fixation, phagocyte binding</p>	
Forms of antigens recognized	Macromolecules (proteins, polysaccharides, lipids, nucleic acids), small chemicals Conformational and linear epitopes	Peptides displayed by MHC molecules on APCs Linear epitopes
Diversity	Each clone has a unique specificity; potential for $>10^9$ distinct specificities	Each clone has a unique specificity; potential for $>10^{11}$ distinct specificities
Antigen recognition is mediated by:	Variable (V) regions of heavy and light chains of membrane Ig	Variable (V) regions of α and β chains
Signaling functions are mediated by:	Proteins (Ig α and Ig β) associated with membrane Ig	Proteins (CD3 and ζ) associated with TCR
Effector functions are mediated by:	Constant (C) regions of secreted Ig	TCR does not perform effector functions



Selectie van T-cellen



Cellulaire immuunrespons



Secundaire lymfoïde organen

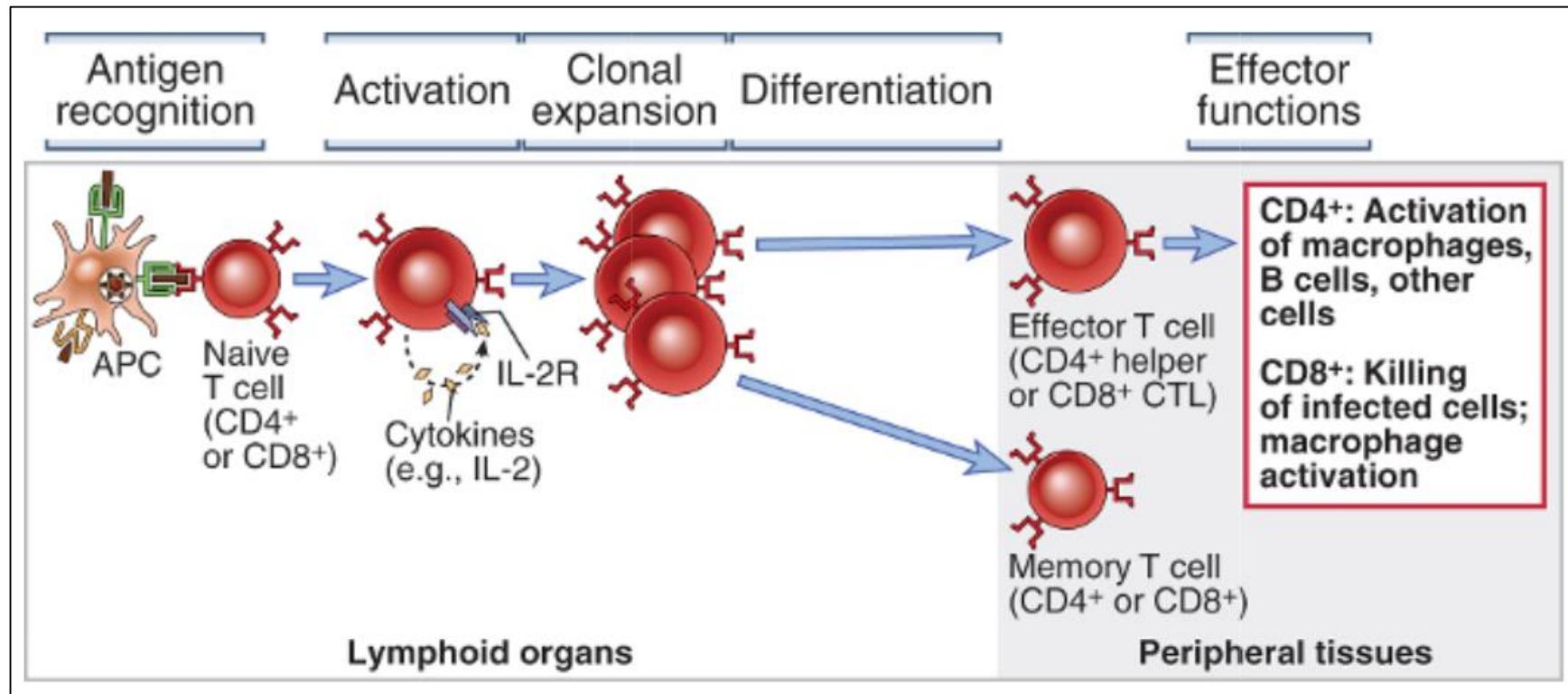
Migratie naar plaats van inflammatie

Lokale reactivatie

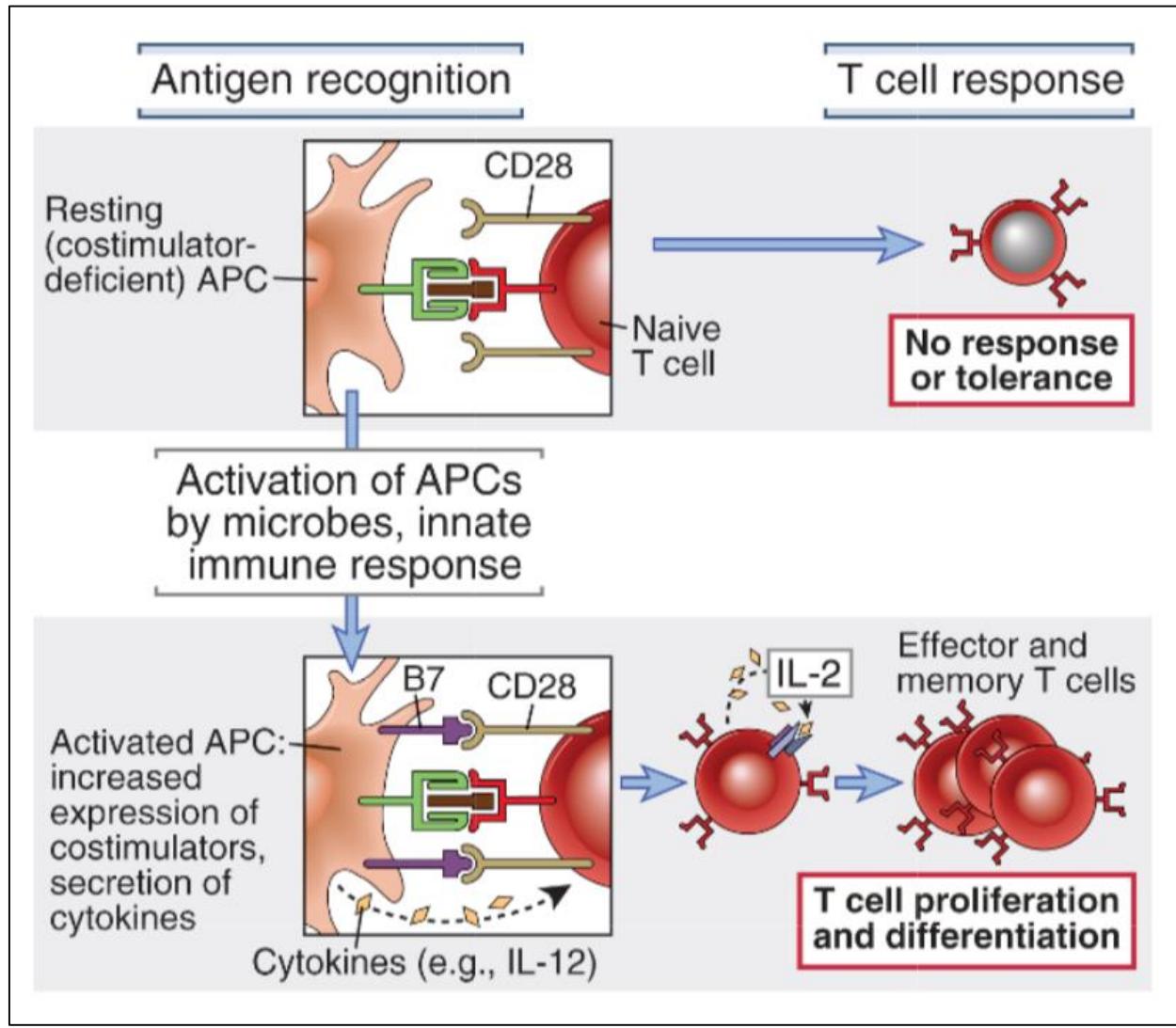
Effectorfunctie:

- Cytokineproductie
- Cytotoxiciteit

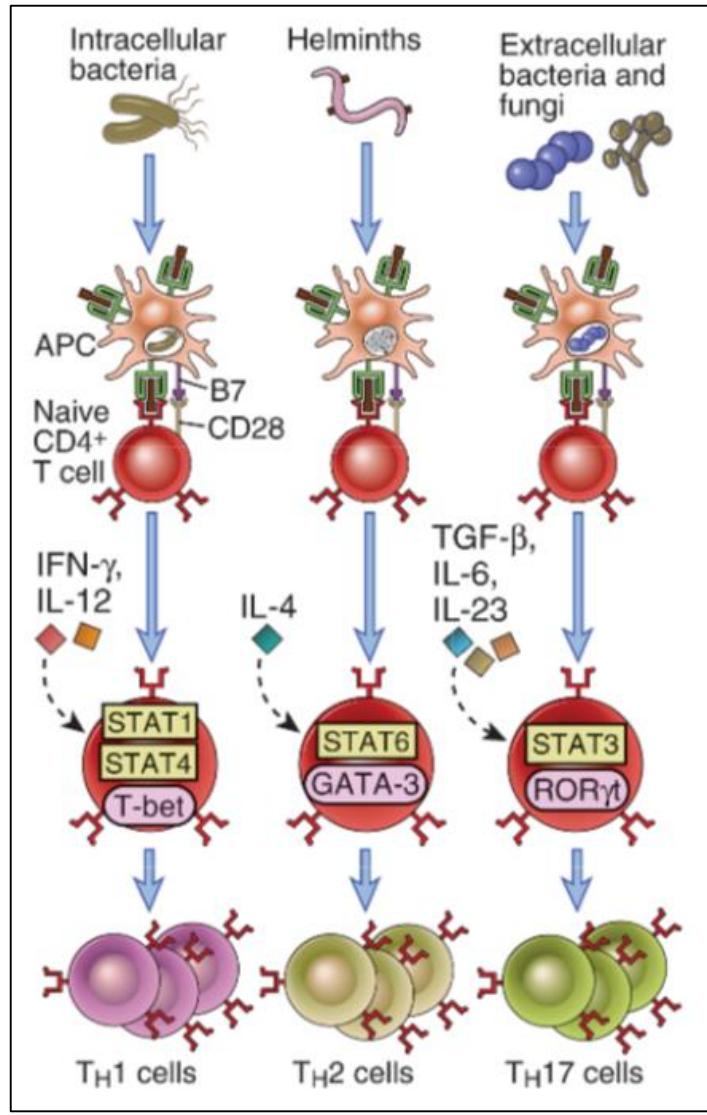
T cel activatie



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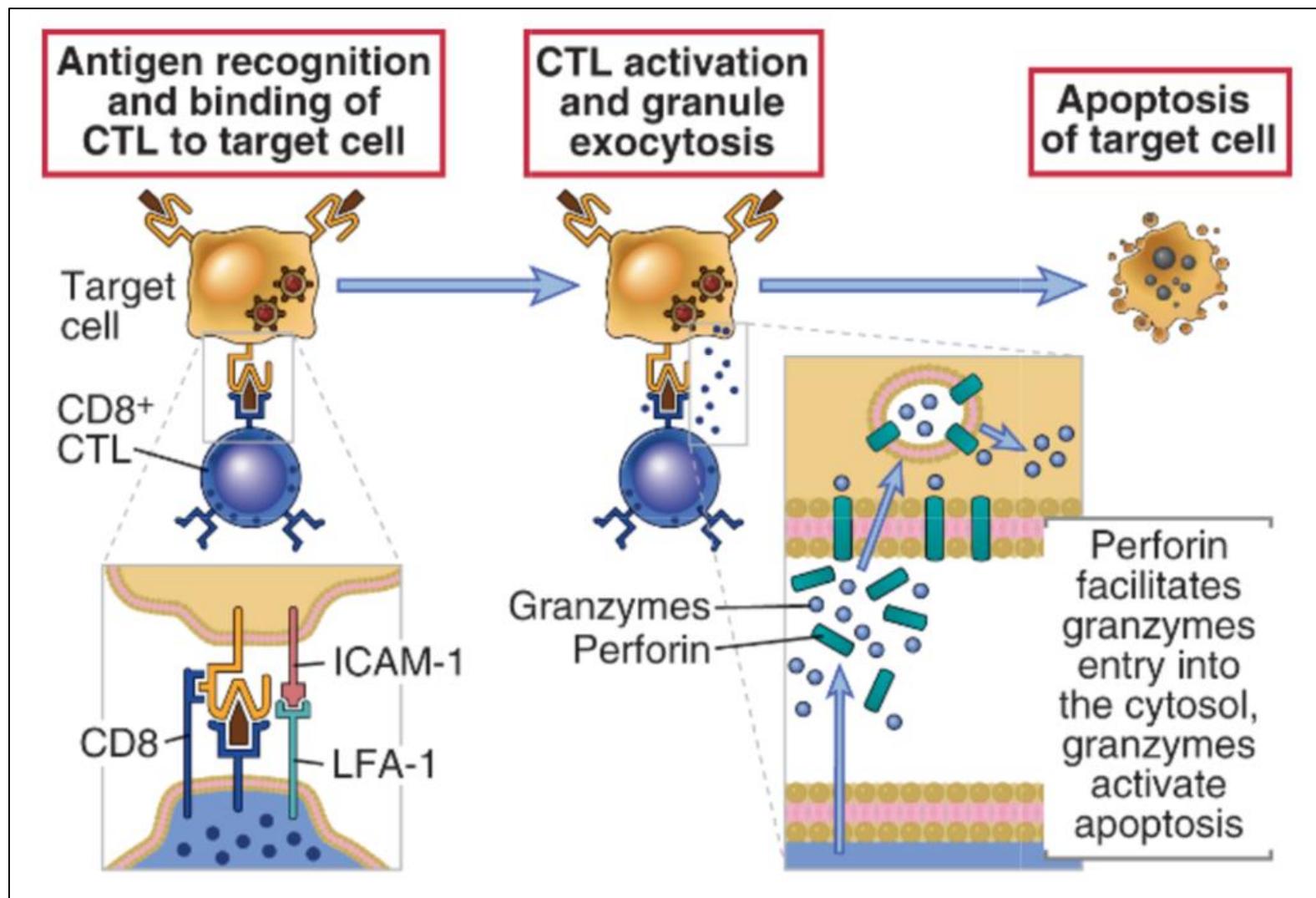
Verschillende typen T helper cel responsen



Producieren verschillende cytokines om de infectie optimaal te kunnen bestrijden



Cytotoxic T cell respons



Tumoriimmunologie



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Immunoresponse tegen tumoren

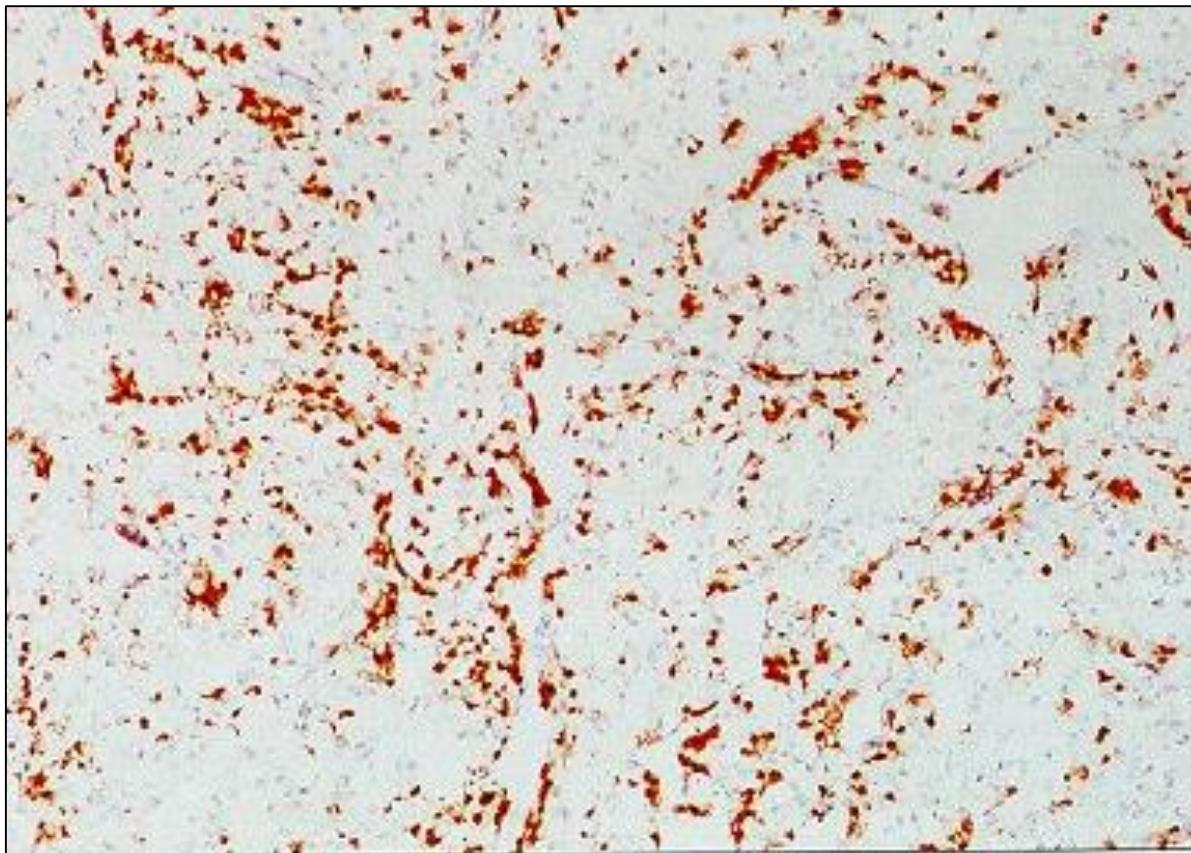
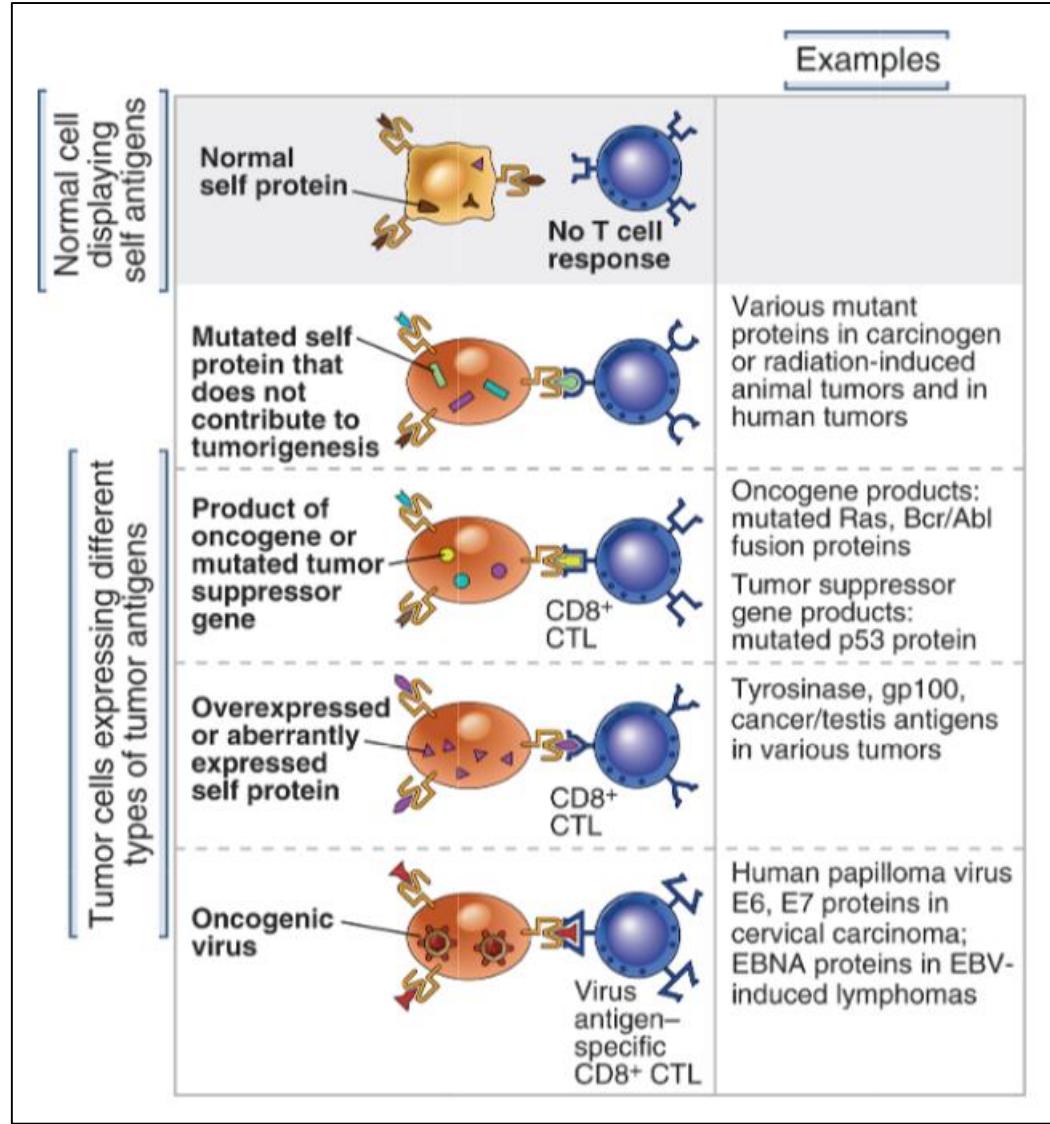


Figure 3: Histologic section of a clear cell renal cancer stained with a monoclonal antibody that recognizes the T-cell receptor (epsilon chain) on T-lymphocytes. The red staining indicates infiltration by numerous T-cells.



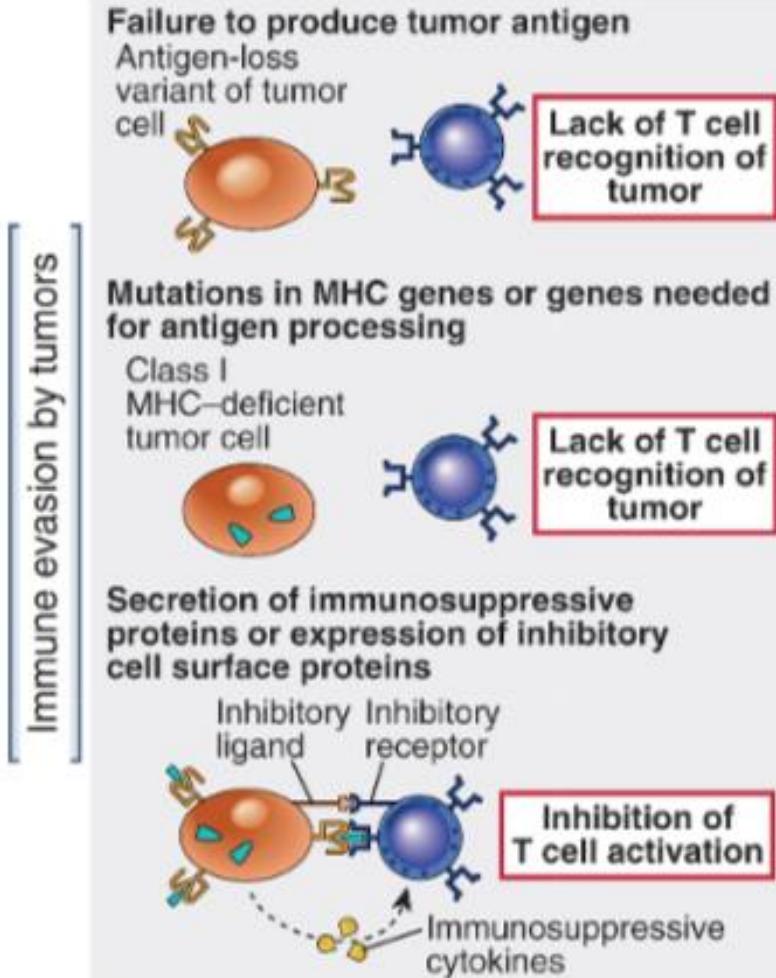
Welke antigenen worden herkend?



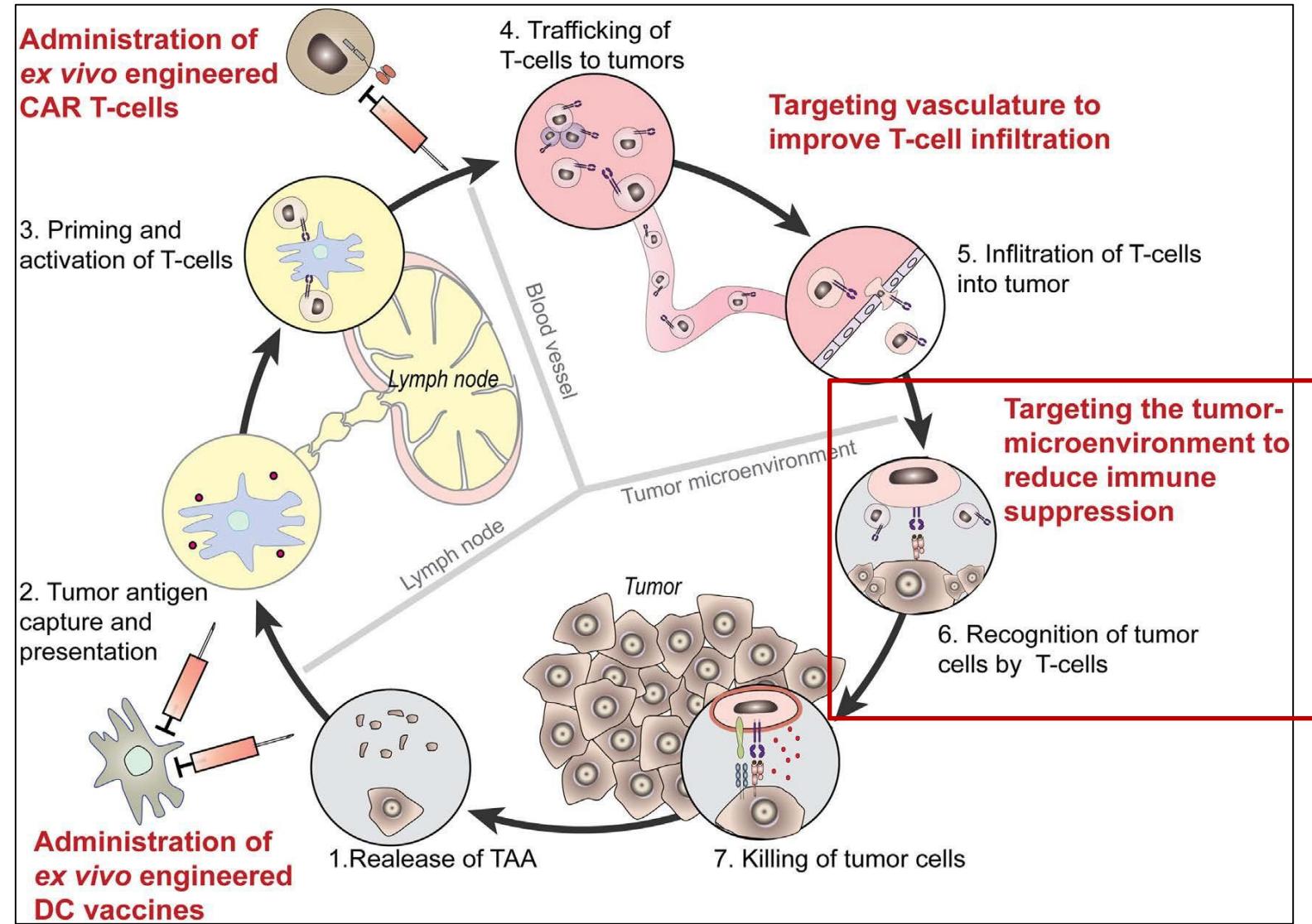
T cel respons tegen tumoren



Immunoontwijking door tumoren



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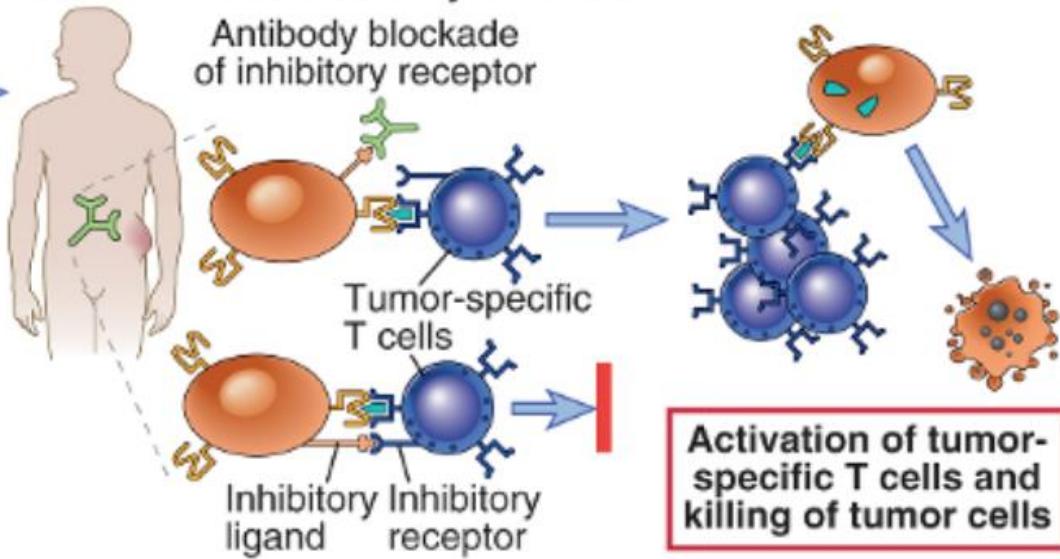


Strategieën voor immuuntherapie tegen kanker

C Active immunity enhanced by blockade of T cell inhibitory molecules

Monoclonal antibodies specific for inhibitory receptors (e.g., PD-1, CTLA-4) on T cells

Transfer of antibodies into cancer patient



Activation of tumor-specific T cells and killing of tumor cells

- Ipilimumab (anti-CTLA4)
- Nivolumab (anti-PD1)



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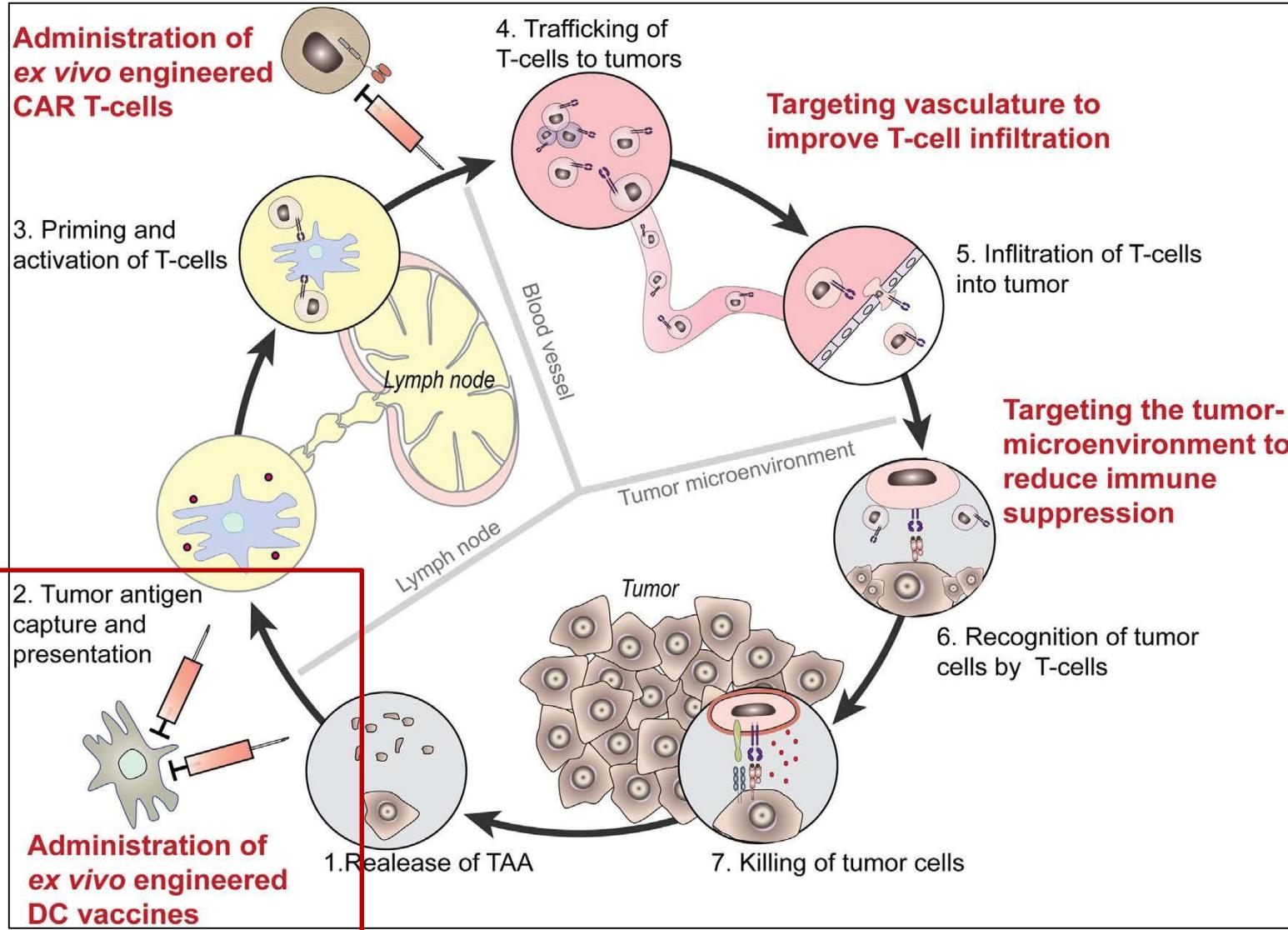
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CTLA-4

PD-1

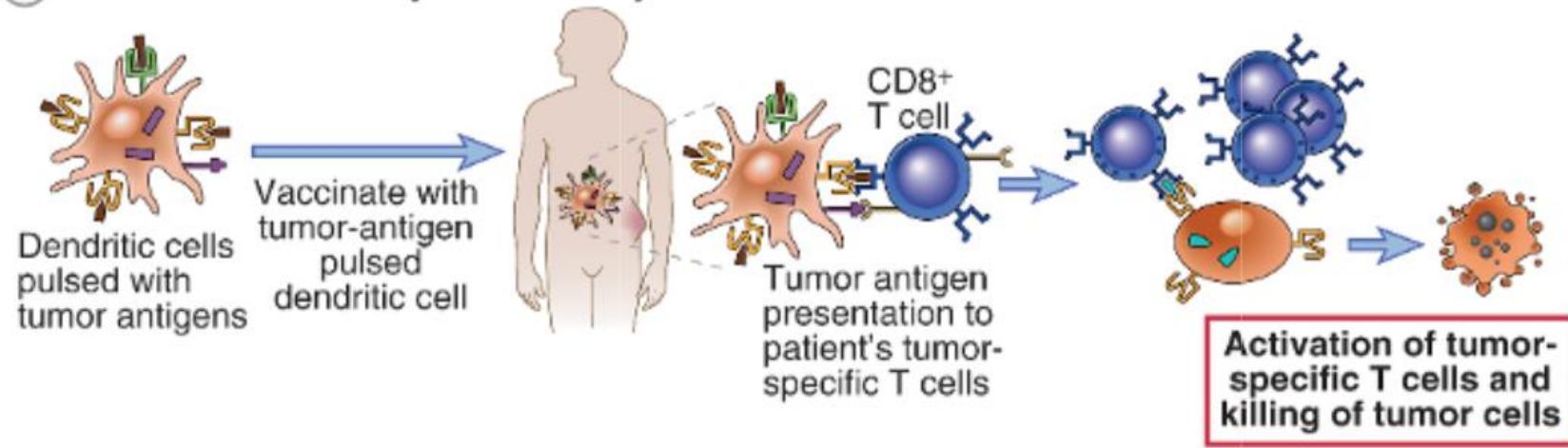


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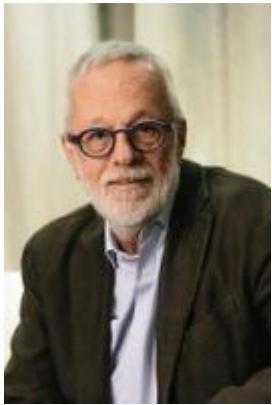


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B Active T cell immunity enhanced by dendritic cell vaccines

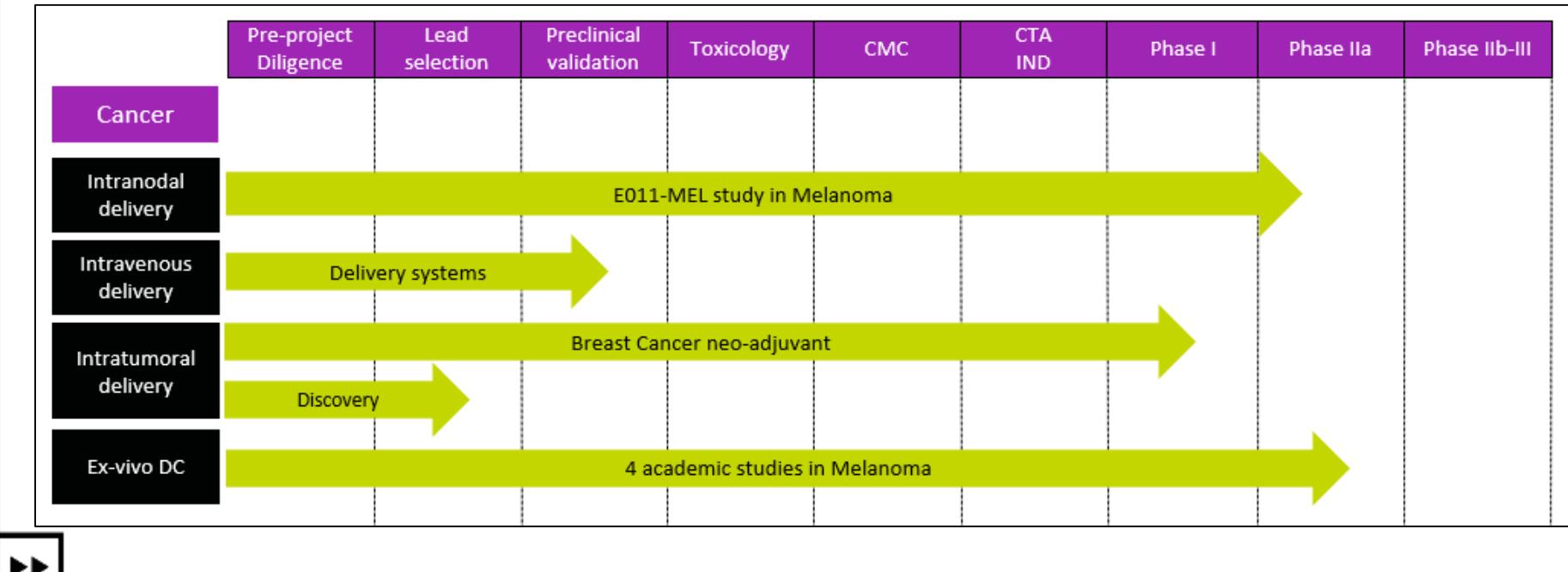


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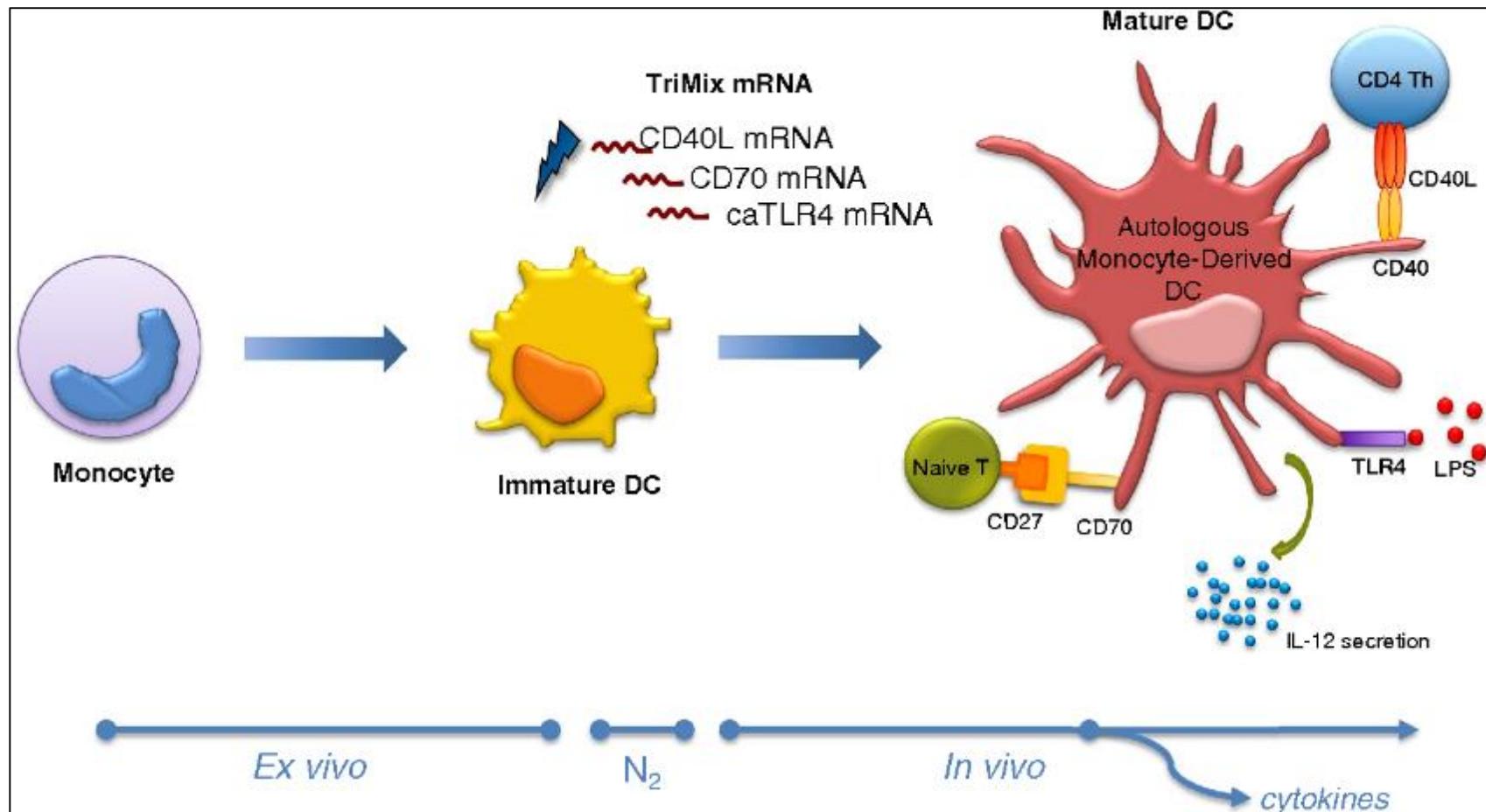


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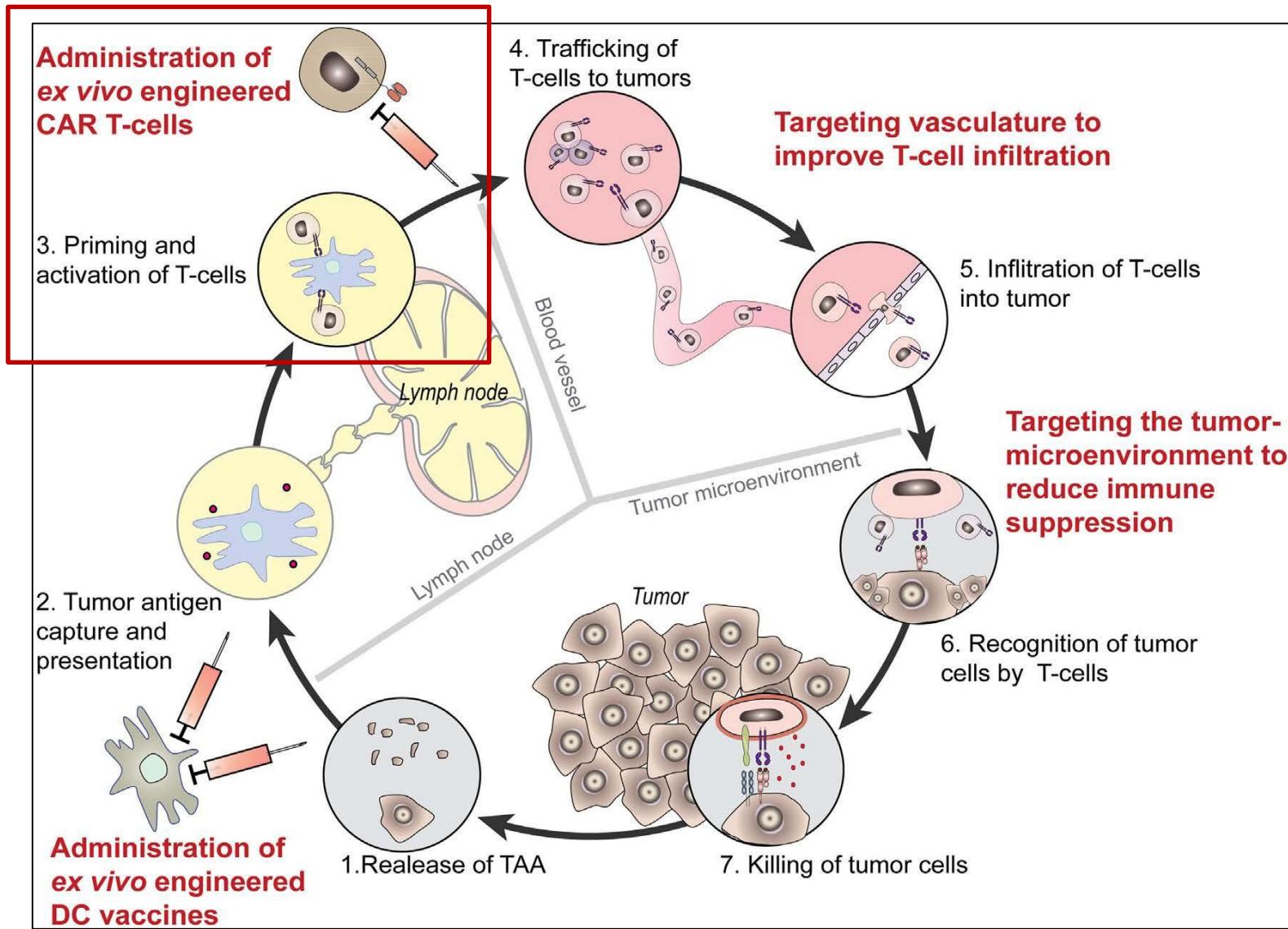
- Ontwikkelde mRNA-gebaseerd DC vaccin ("TriMix" technology)
- Creëerde spin-off eTheRNA om vaccin te testen en op de markt te brengen



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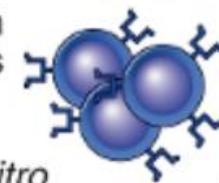
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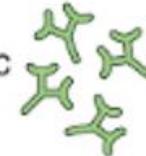
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A Passive immunity by transfer of tumor-specific T cells or antibodies

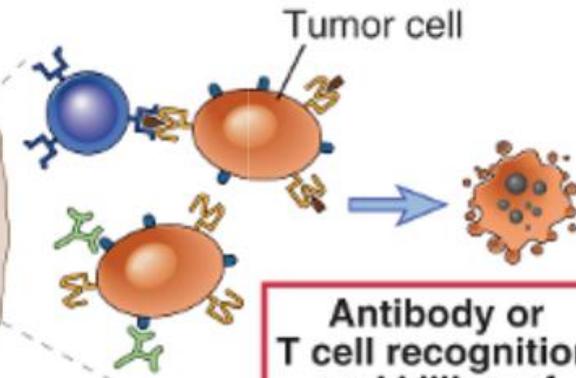
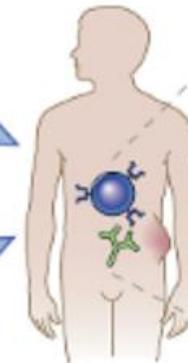
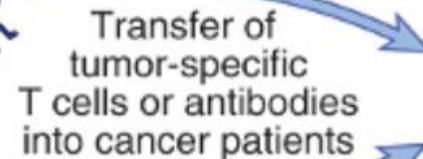
Tumor-antigen specific T cells removed from patient and expanded *in vitro*



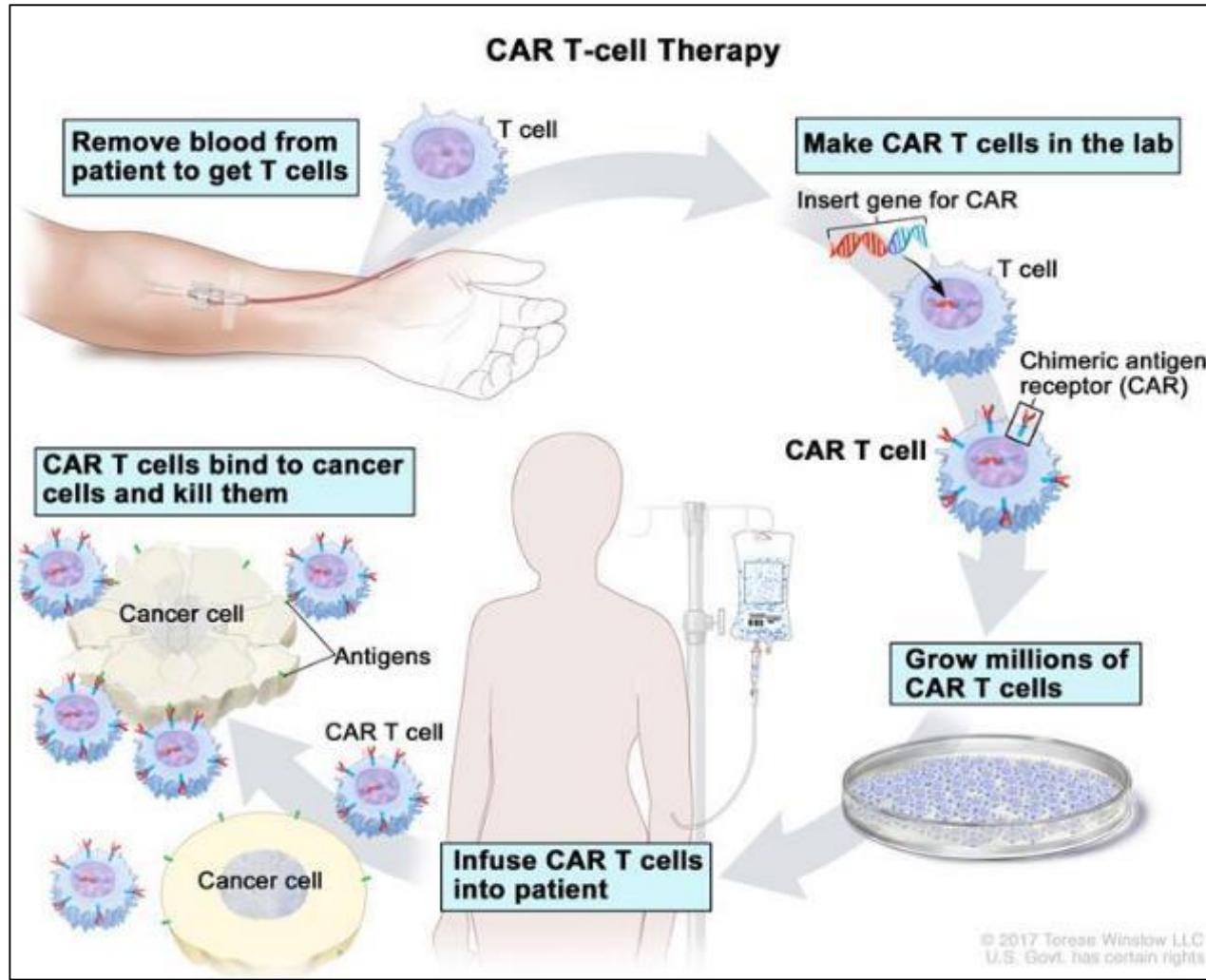
Monoclonal antibodies specific for tumor antigen



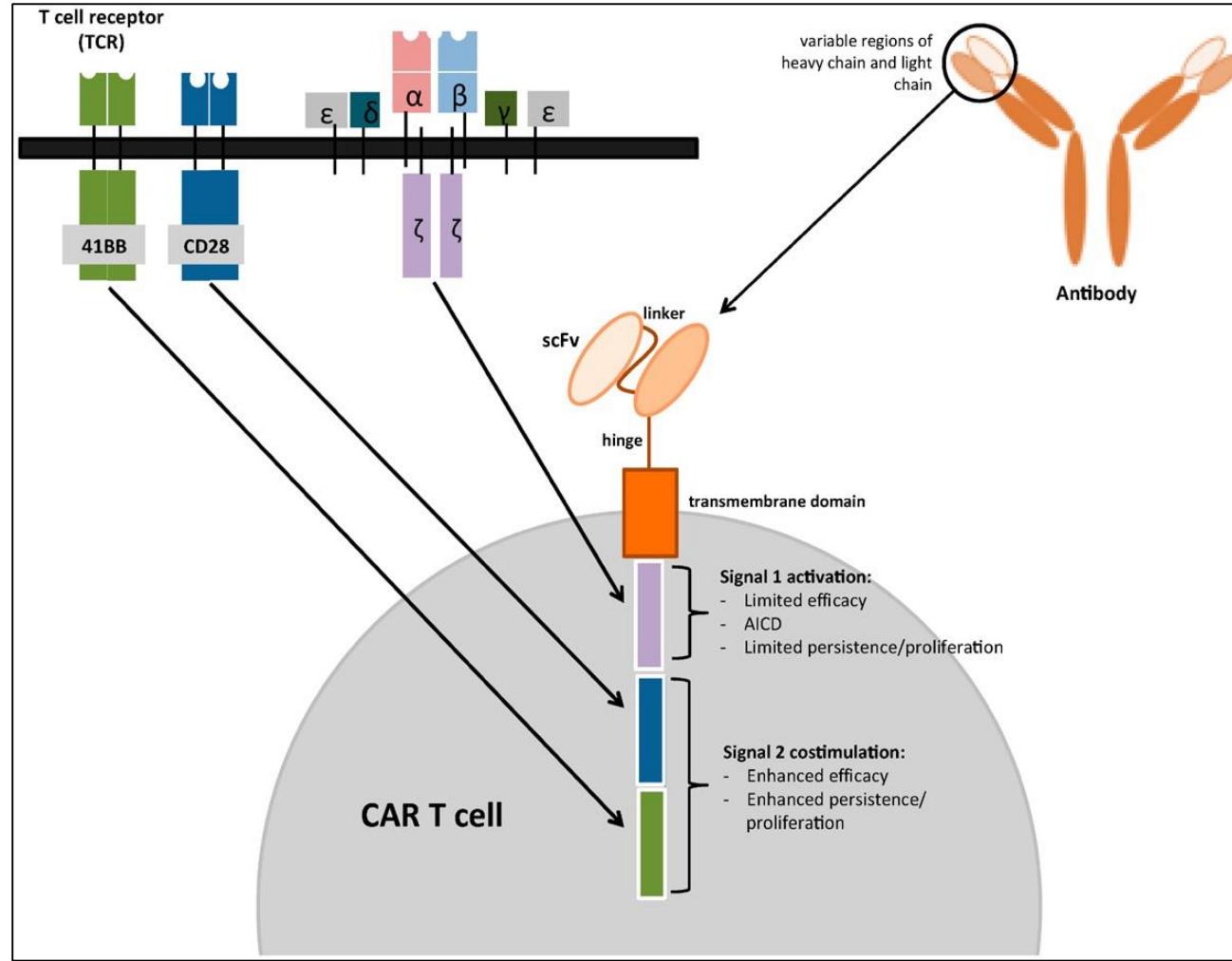
Transfer of tumor-specific T cells or antibodies into cancer patients

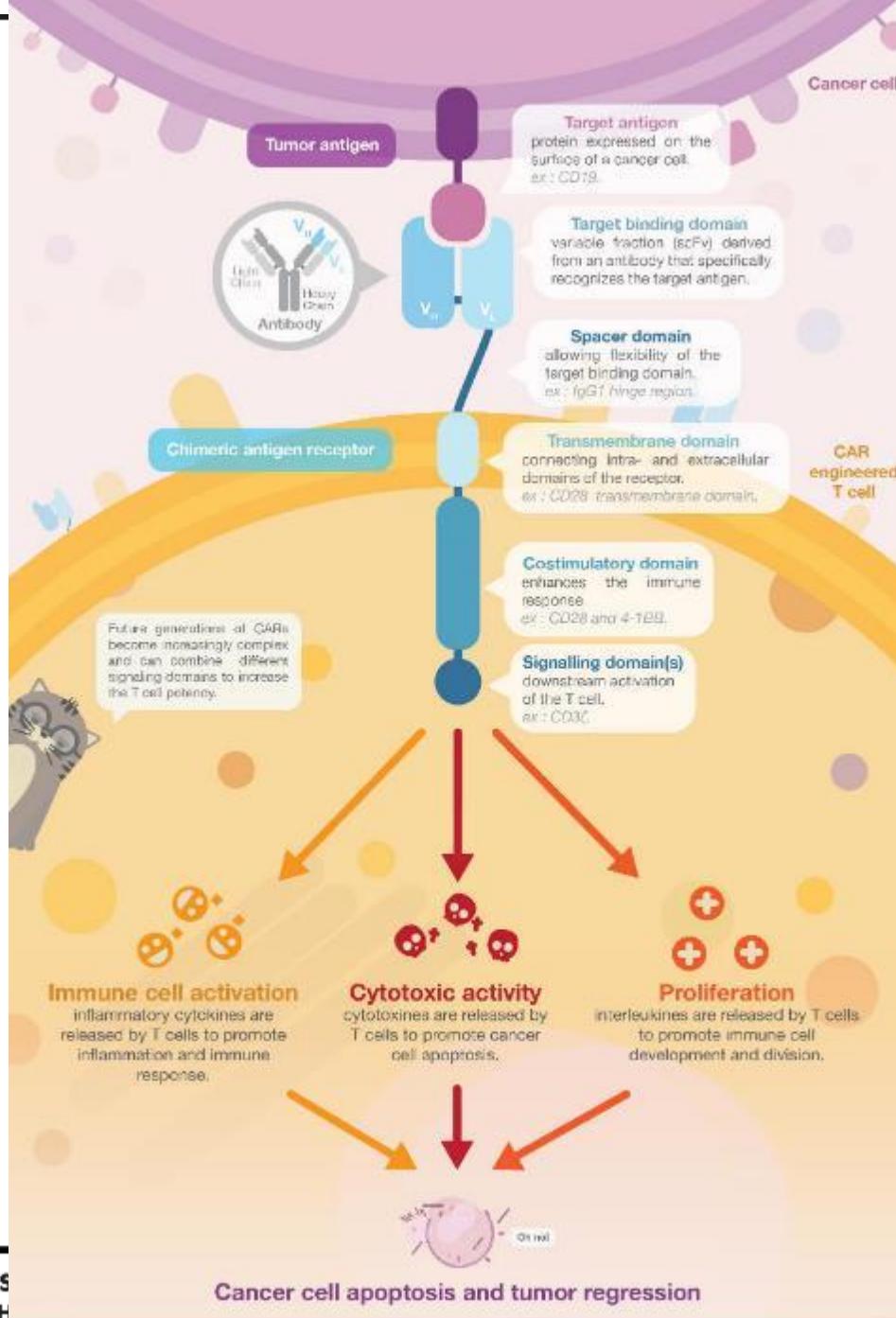


CAR-T cellen



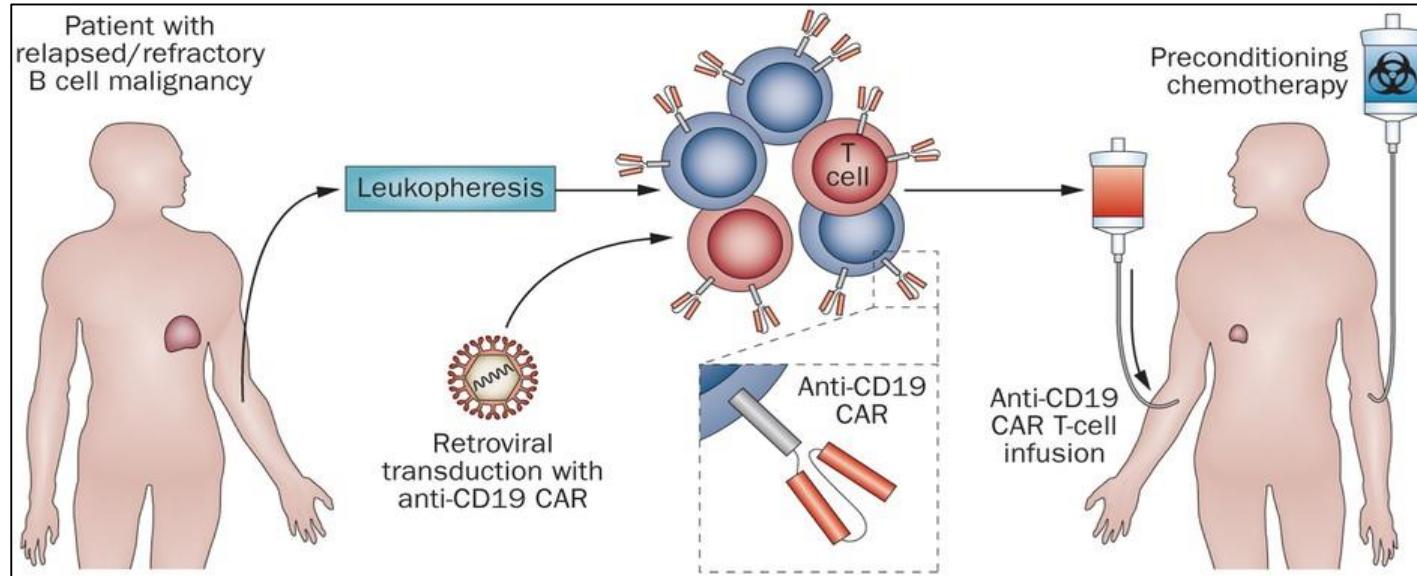
CAR-T cellen





CAR-T cellen

- Succesverhaal: B-cel leukemie
- CAR-T cellen gericht tegen CD19
(oppervlaktemolecule op B-cellen)



- Sinds 1 juni 2019 terugbetaald (€400.000!)



Auto-immuniteit



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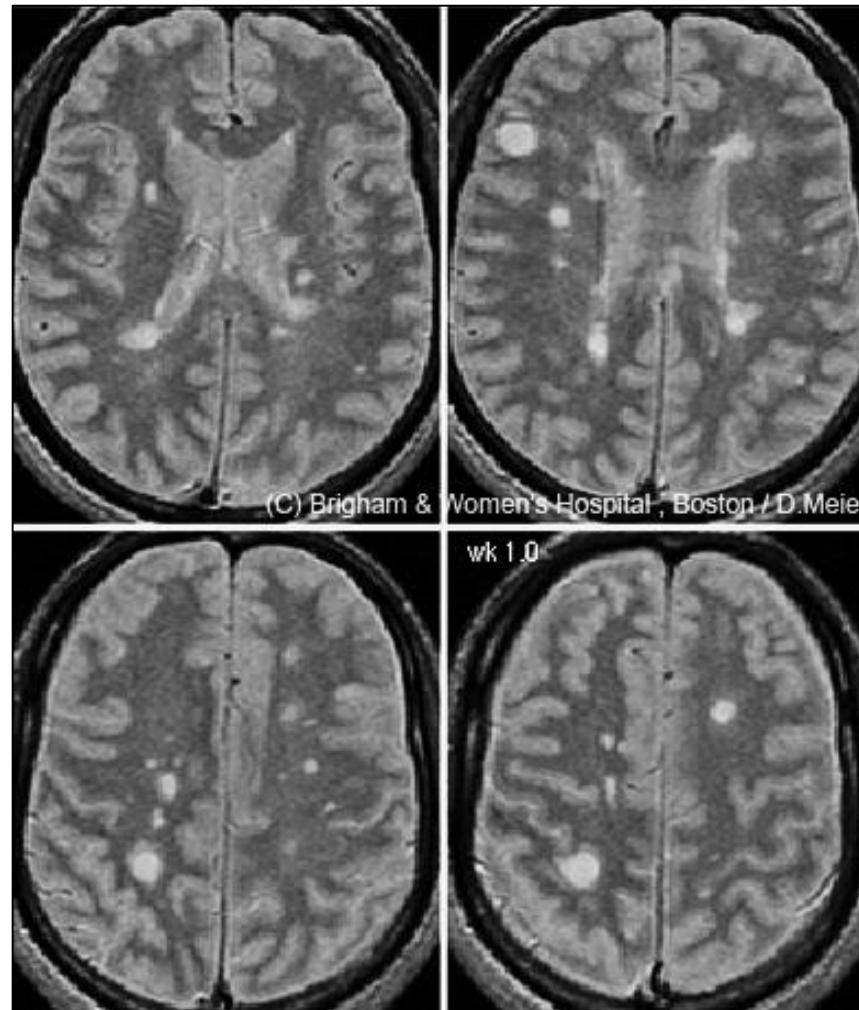
“Schoolvoorbeeld”: multiple sclerose



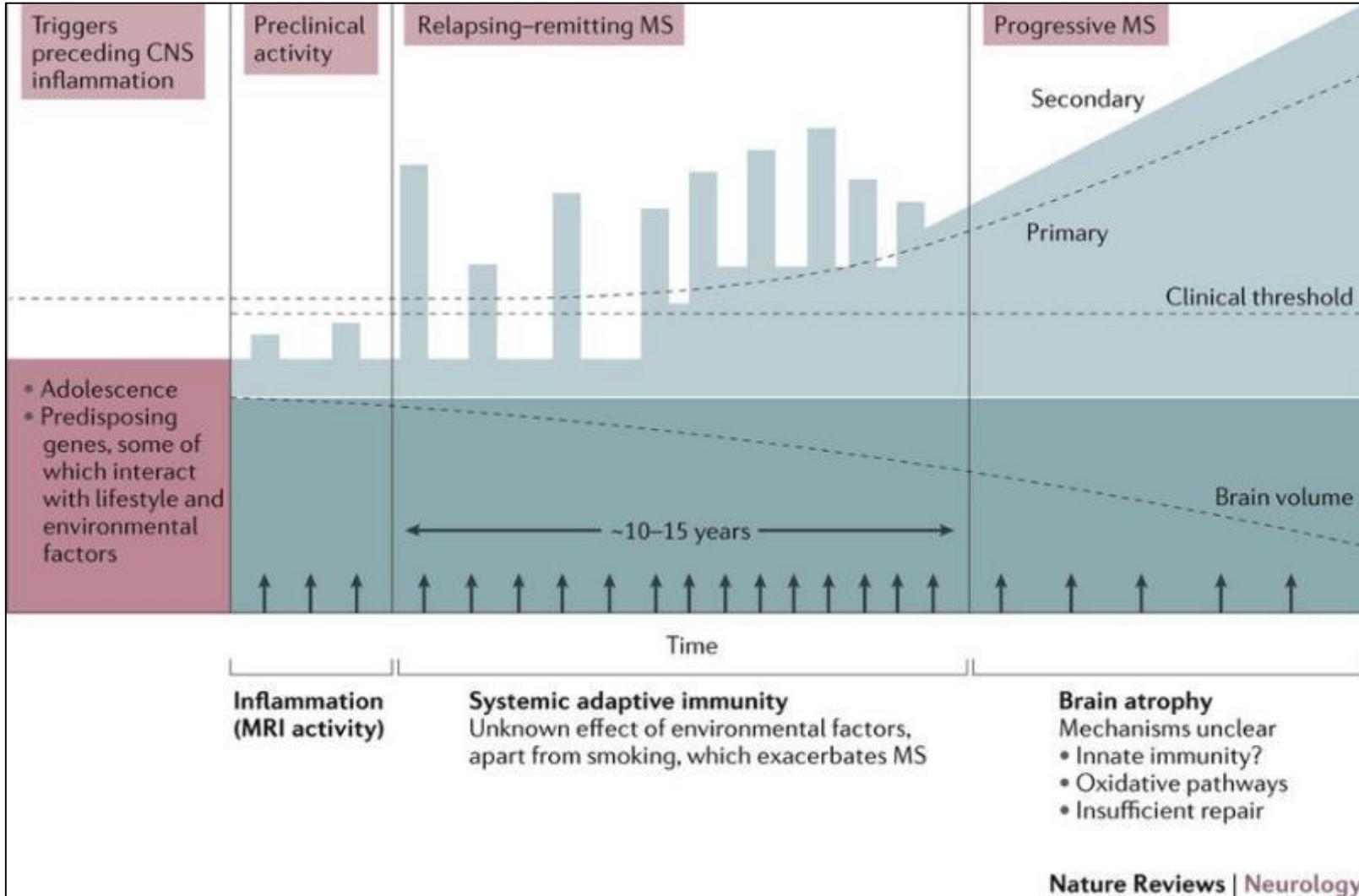
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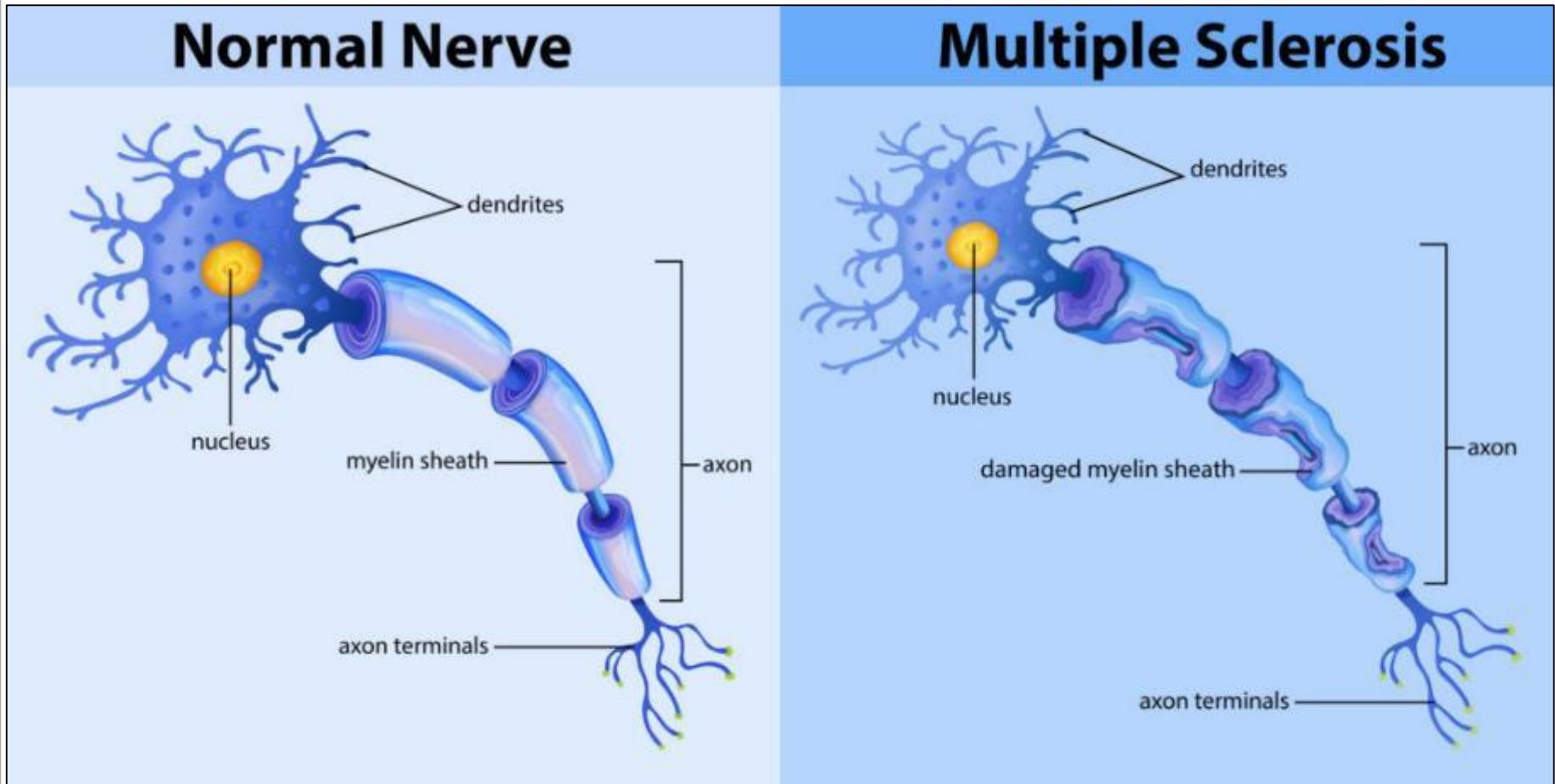
Immunorespons tegen eigen lichaam



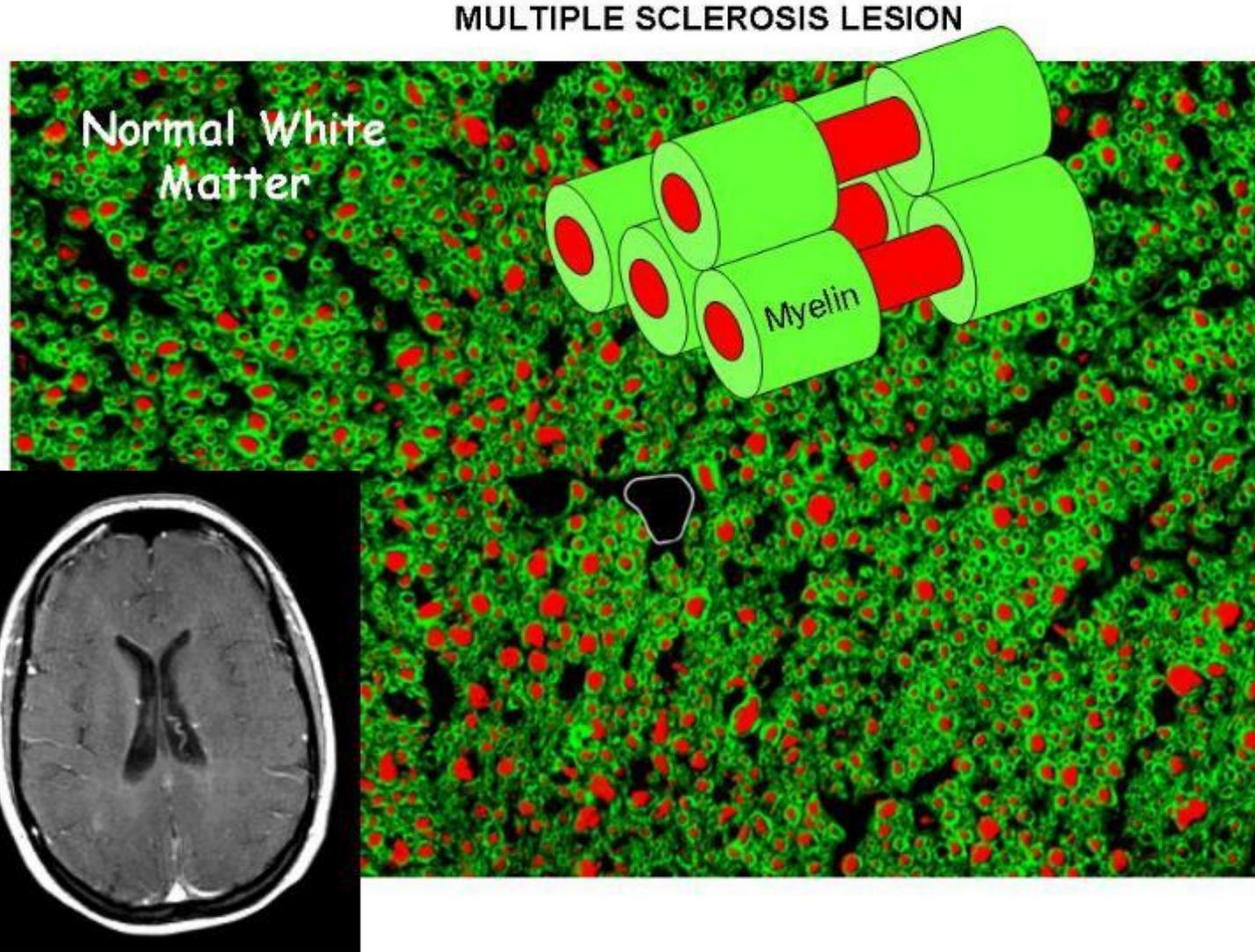
Multiple sclerose: ziekteverloop



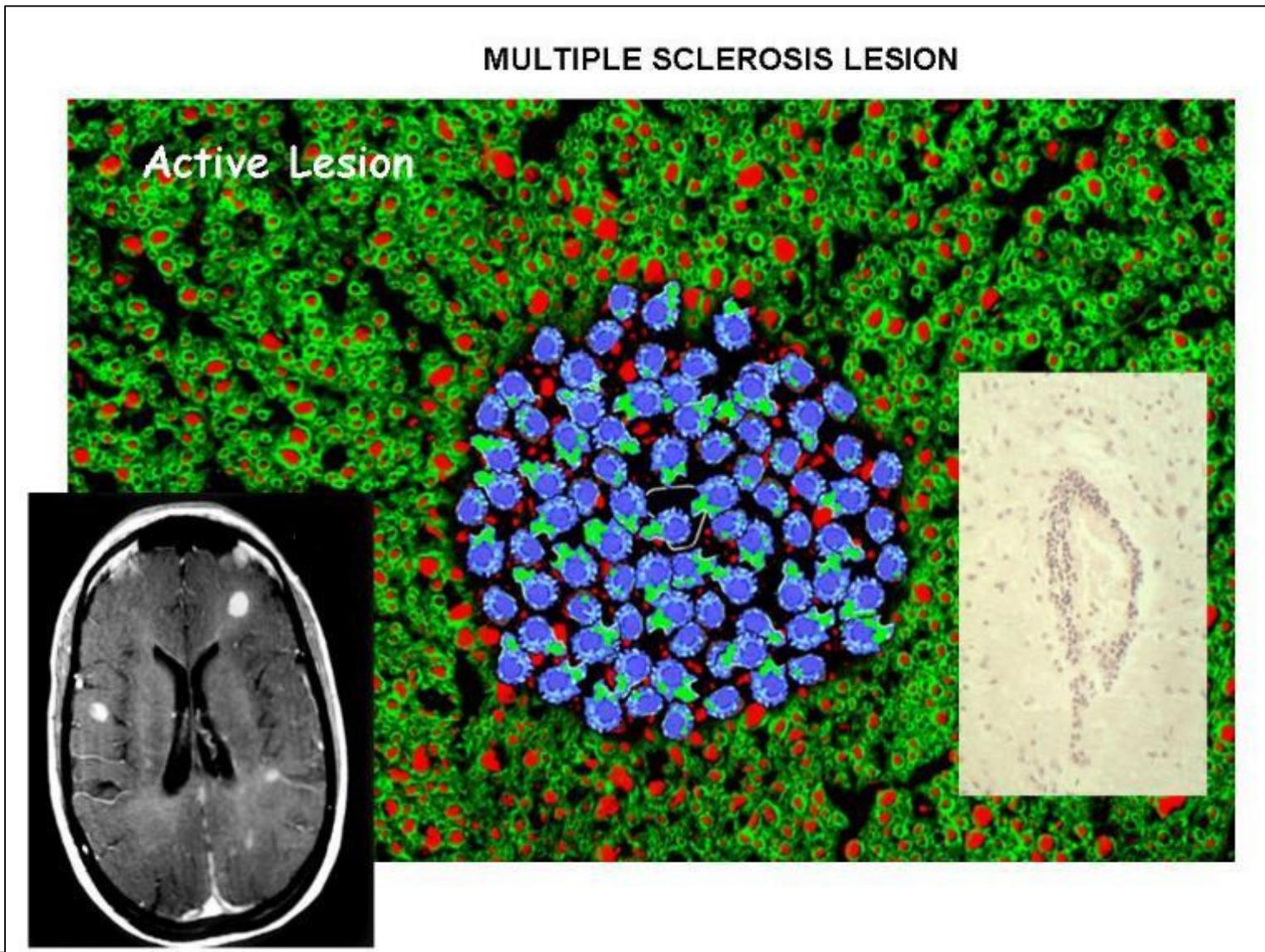
Multiple sclerose: aanval tegen myeline



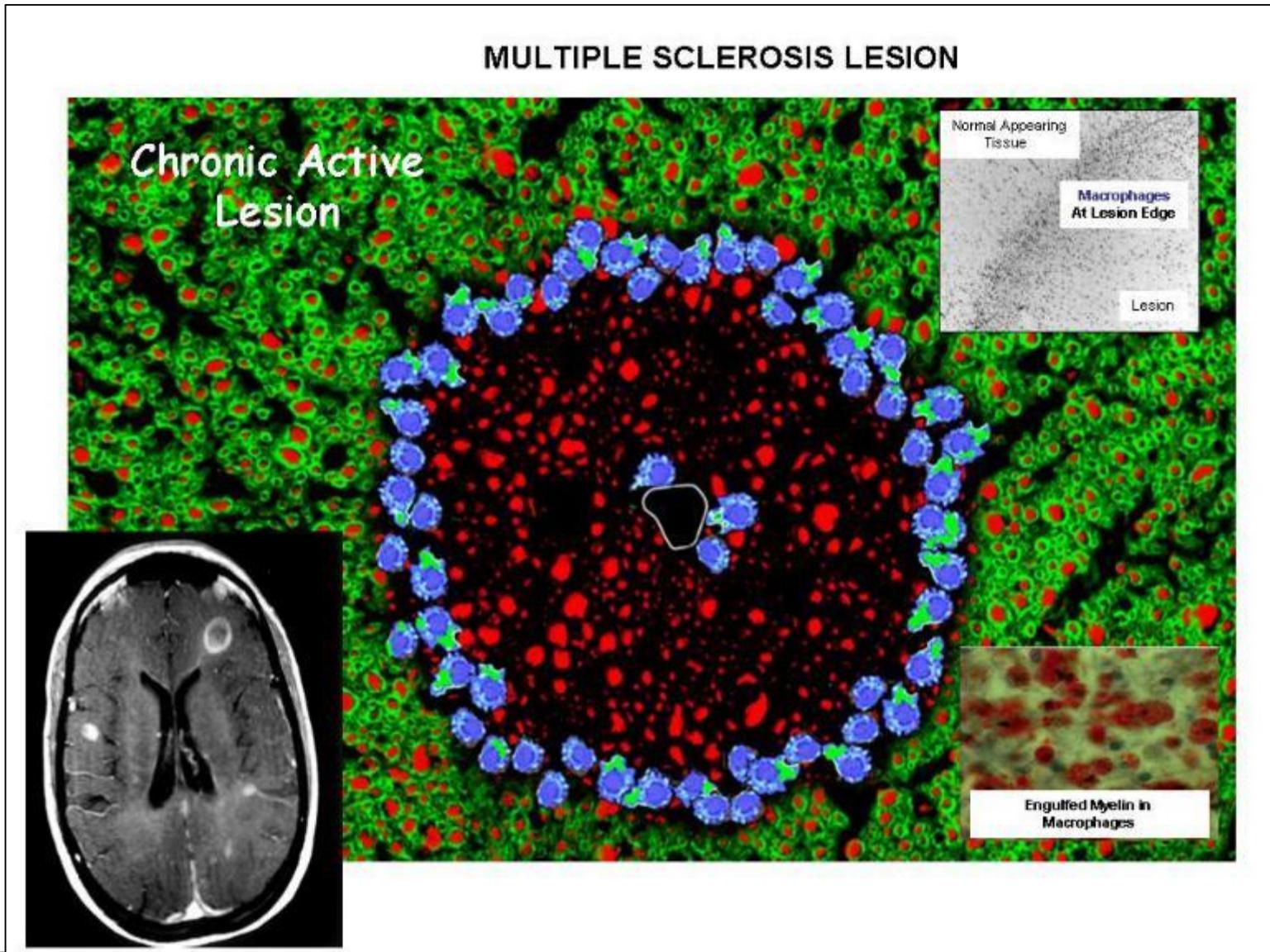
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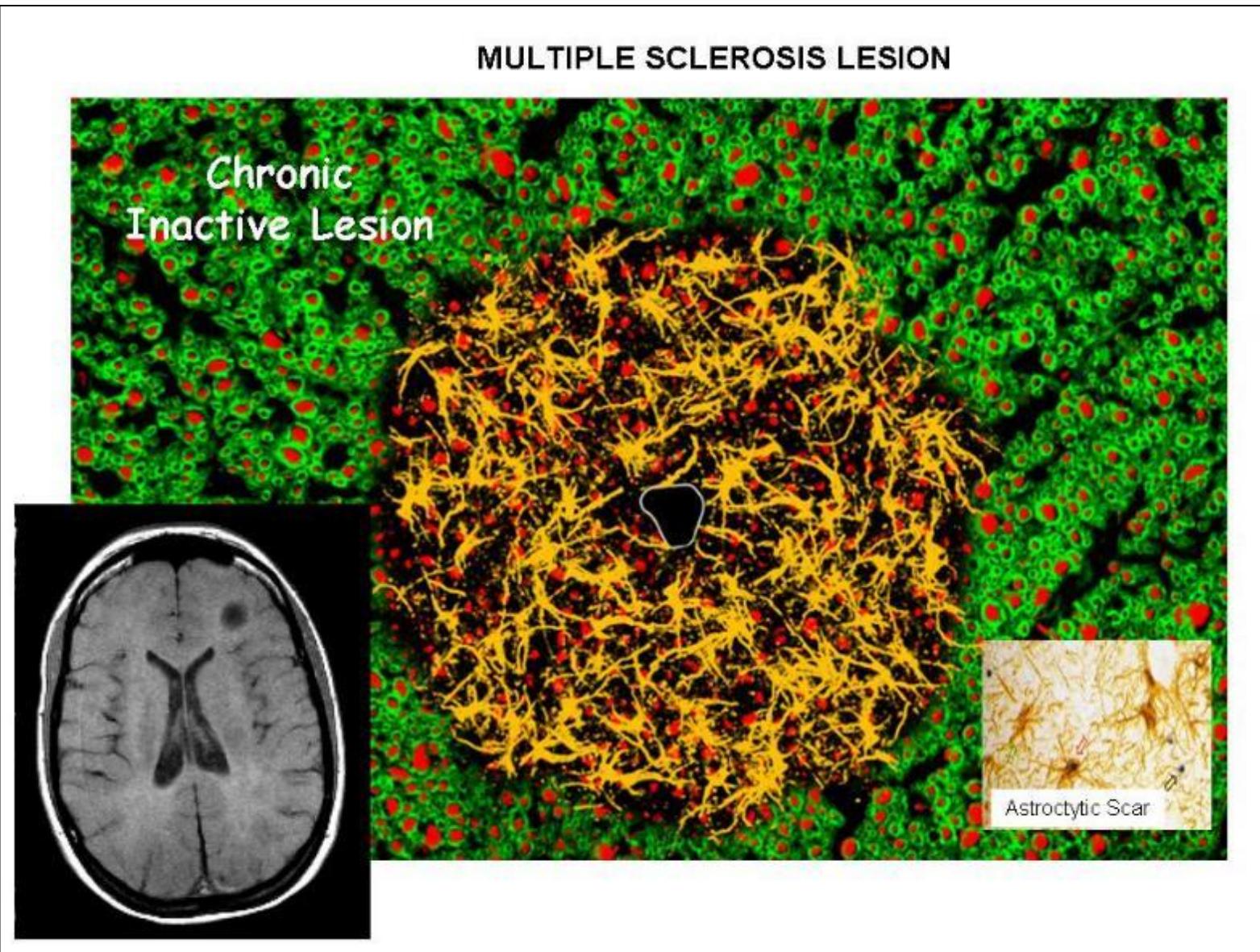
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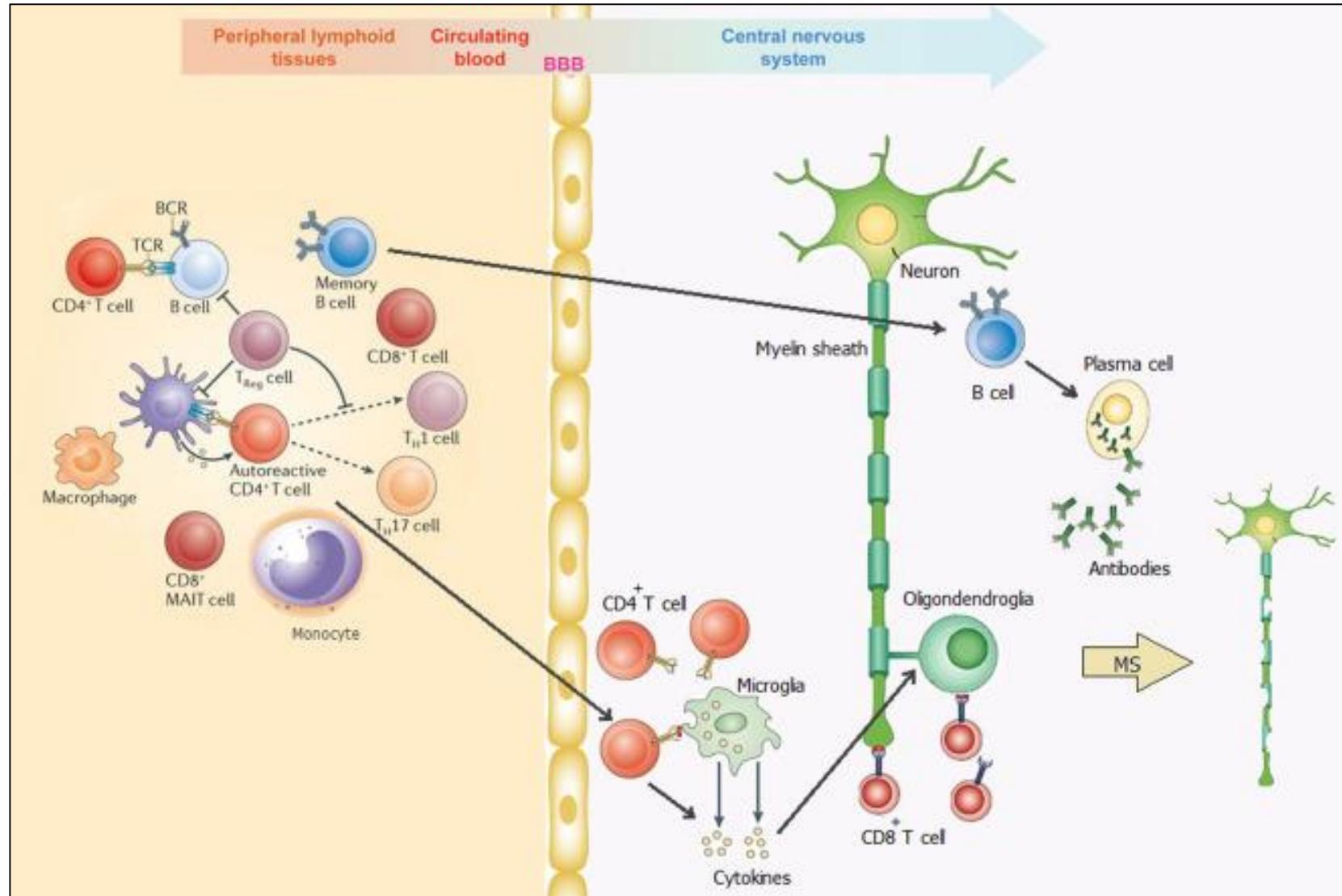
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Immune response at the cellular level



Therapieën voor MS

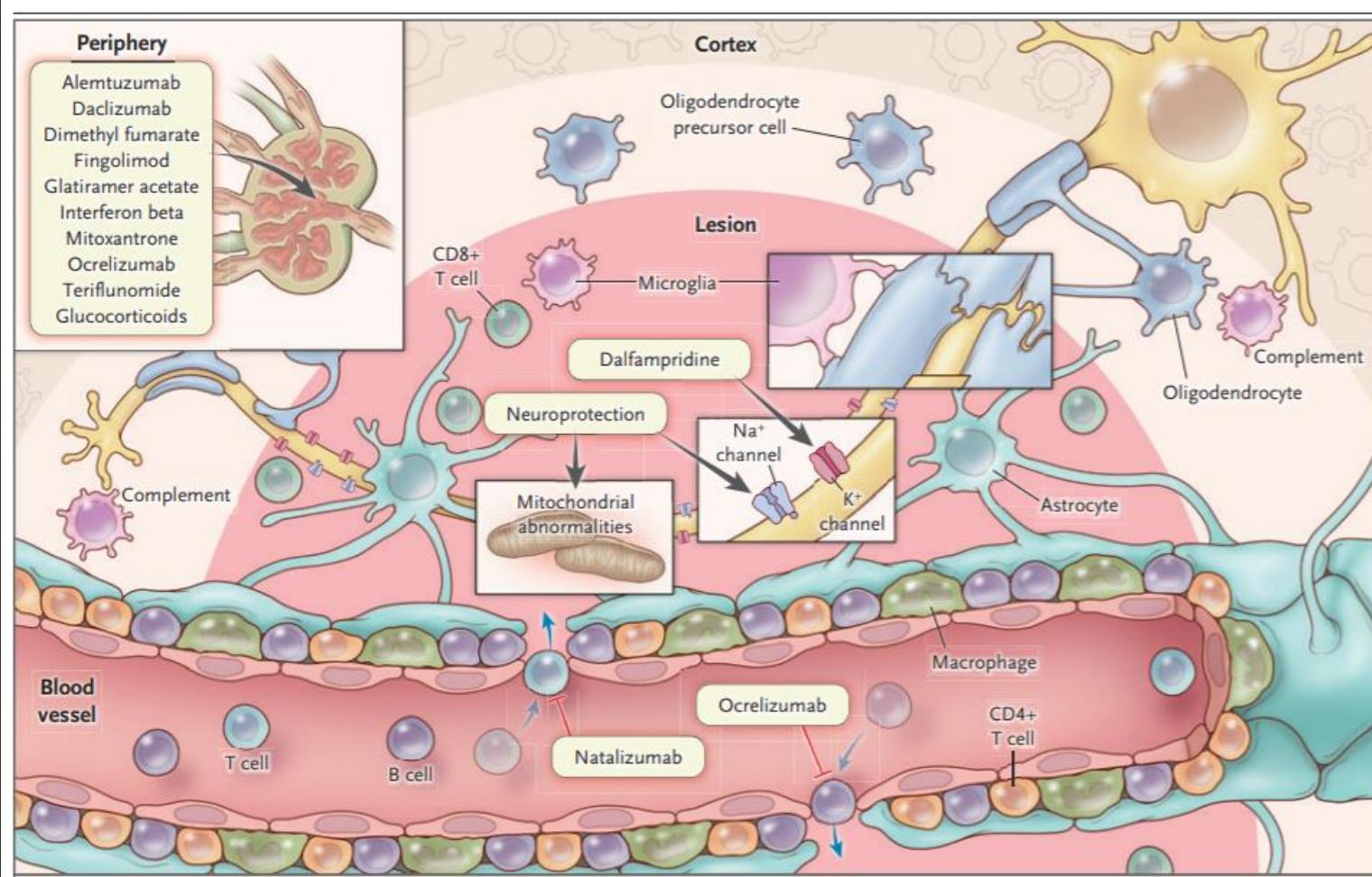


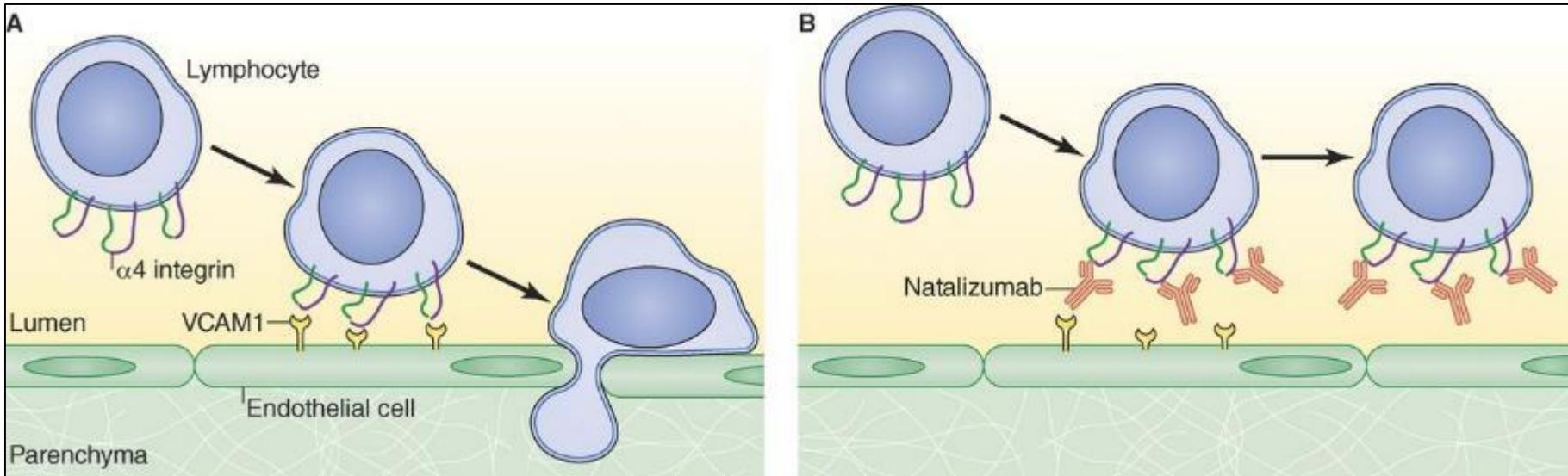
Figure 4. Cells, Molecules, and Therapies.

Shown is a simplified schematic depiction of major cell types within white-matter multiple sclerosis lesions, along with several current and promising therapeutic targets in the central nervous system and in the periphery.



Antilichaamtherapieën

- Natalizumab (anti- $\alpha 4$ integrine):
 - Blokkeert infiltratie van immuuncellen in de hersenen
 - Mogelijk levensbedreigende complicatie: PML

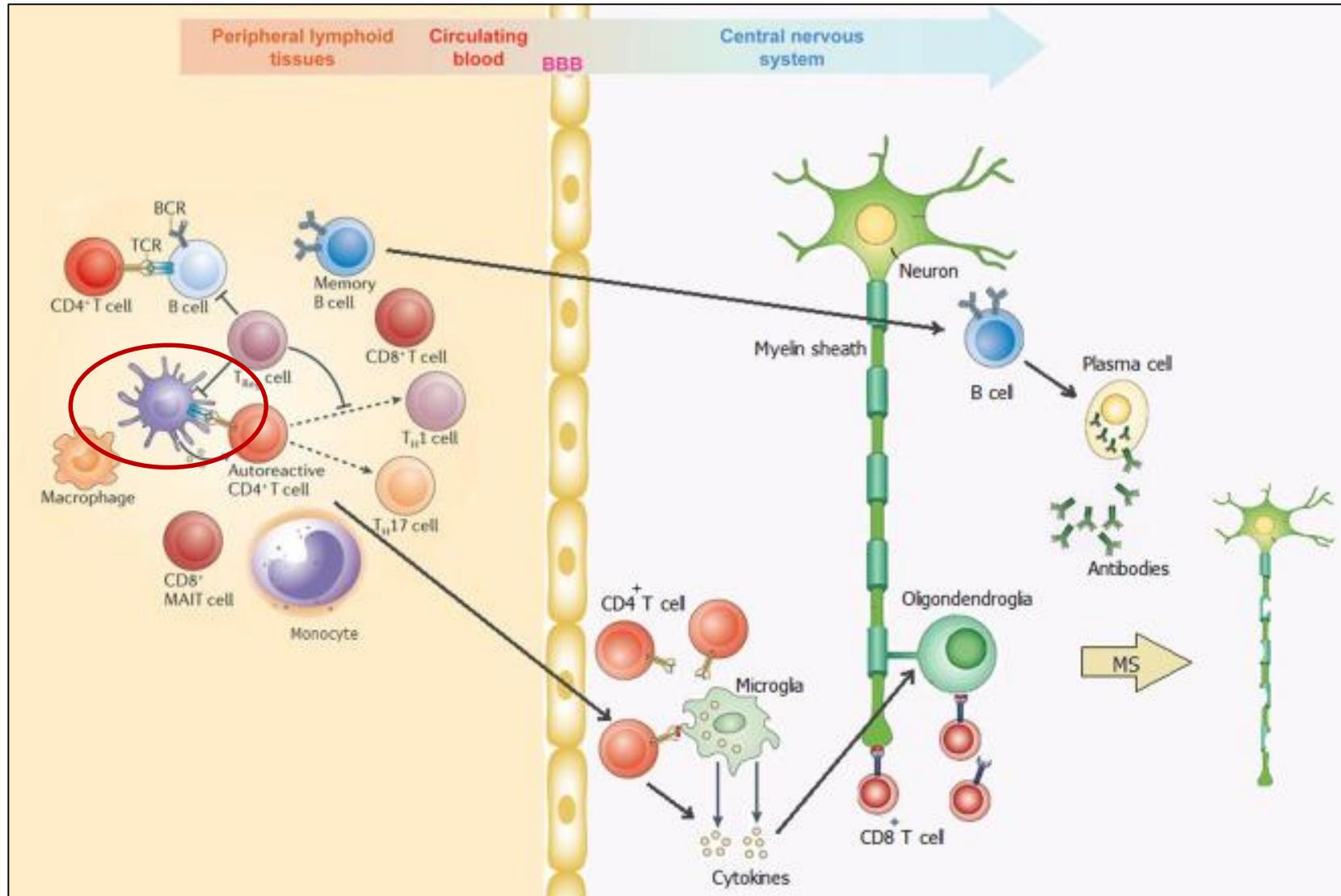


Antilichaamtherapieën

- Ocrelizumab (anti-CD20):
 - Doodt B-cellen (immuunsuppressief)
 - Eerste goedgekeurde therapie voor primair progressieve MS
- Alemtuzumab (anti-CD52):
 - Doodt lymfocyten (sterk immuunsuppressief)
 - Patiënten ontwikkelen secundaire autoimmuniteit
- Daclizumab (anti-CD25):
 - Blokkeert activatie van T-cellen



Immune response at the cellular level



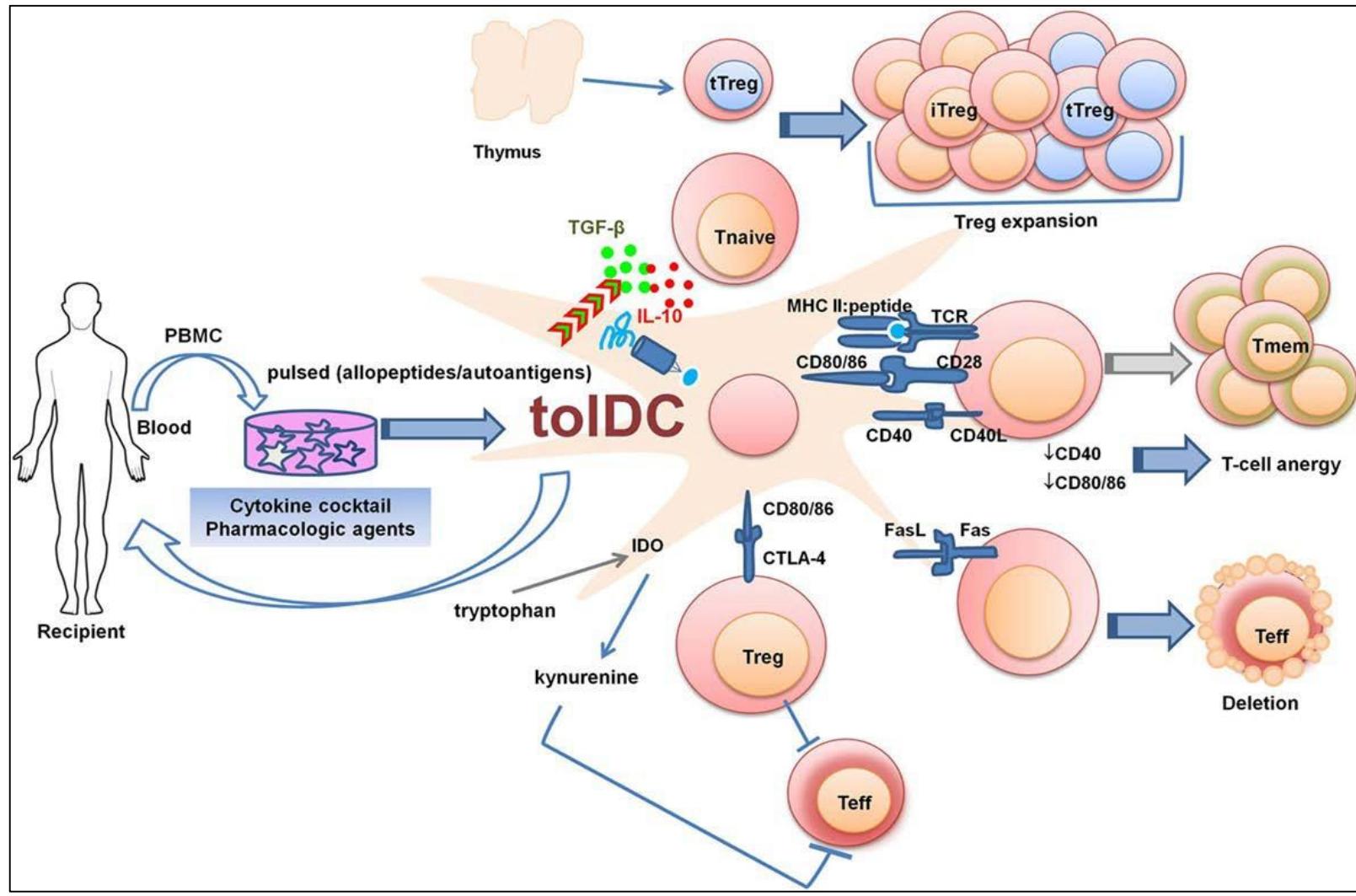
Celtherapie: tolDC

NCT identifier	Phase	Therapeutic agent	Status	Sponsor/collaborators	Disease
NCT00445913	I	Autologous dendritic cell (DC)	completed	University of Pittsburgh	T1DM
NCT02354911	II	Autologous immunoregulatory DC	Not yet recruiting	DiaVacs, Inc., and others	T1DM
NCT01947569	I/II	Autologous co-stimulation-impaired DC	Unknown	DiaVacs, Inc.	T1DM
NCT00434850	II	Deoxyspergualin, an immunosuppressant drug, shown to modulate DC differentiation and function	Completed	NIAID and NIDDK	Islets transplantation in T1DM
NCT01352858	I	Autologous tolDC	Unknown	Newcastle University and Arthritis Research UK	Rheumatoid arthritis (RA)
NCT00279461	II	Vit D3	Withdrawn	Indiana University	RA
NCT02283671	I	tolDCs loaded with myelin peptides	Currently recruiting	Sara Varea	Multiple Sclerosis (MS) and Neuromyelitis Optica
NCT02618902	I	tolDCs	Not yet recruiting	University Hospital, Antwerp	MS
NCT02903537	I	Autologous tolerogenic modDCs loaded with a pool of myelin peptides (tolDC-VitD3)	Not yet recruiting	Fundació Institut Germans Trias i Pujol	MS
NCT02622763	I	Intralesional administration of tolDCs	Currently recruiting	Fundacion Clinic per a la Recerca Biomédica	Crohn's Disease
NCT02252055	I/II	Autologous tolDCs	Currently recruiting	Nantes University Hospital	Kidney transplantation

NP, not provided; T1DM, type 1 diabetes mellitus; NIAID, National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases; NIDDK, National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases.



Celtherapie: tolDC



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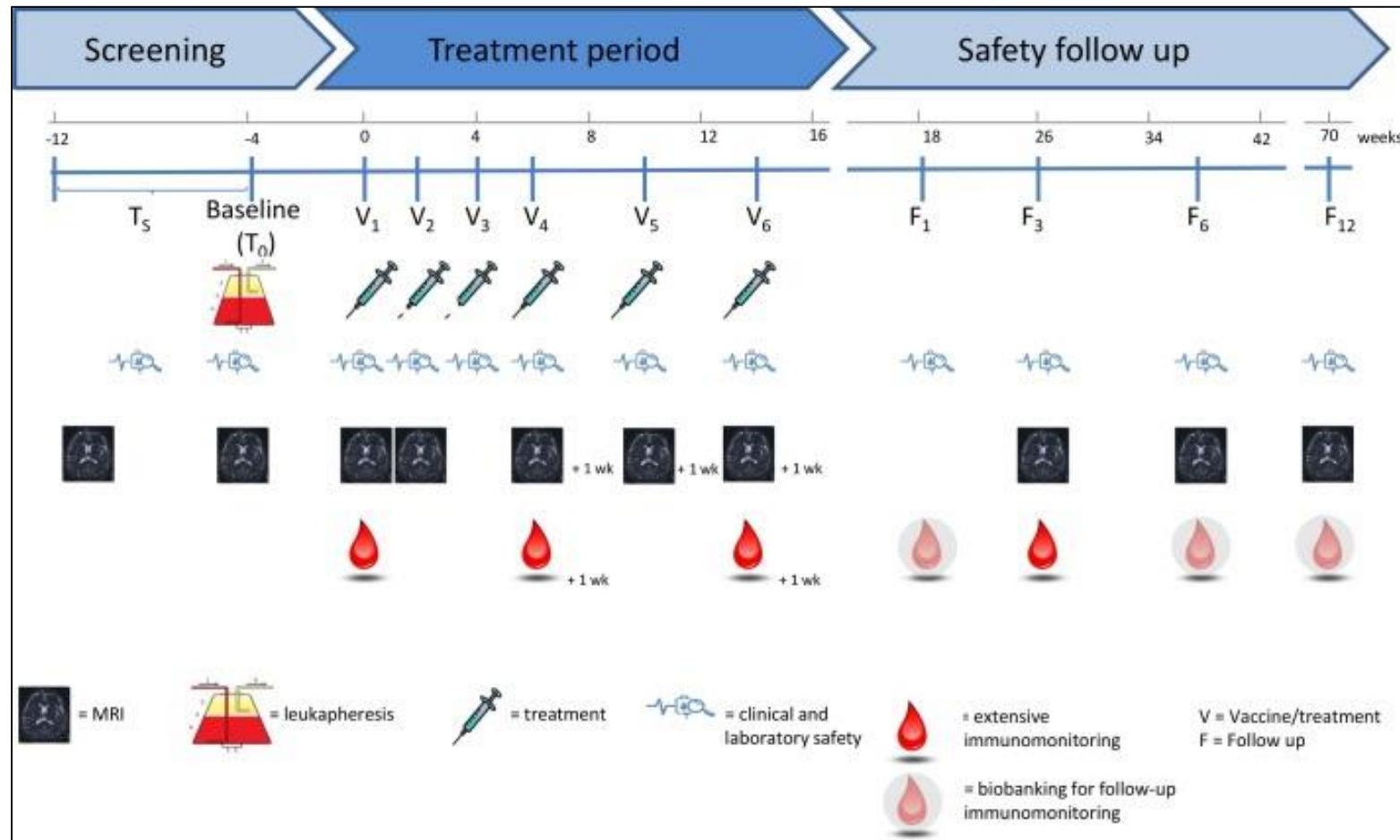


Prof. Nathalie Cools (UA):

- Ontwikkelde tolDC therapie voor MS
- Startte Anicells: een accelerator om onderzoek naar en ontwikkeling van celtherapie te verbeteren

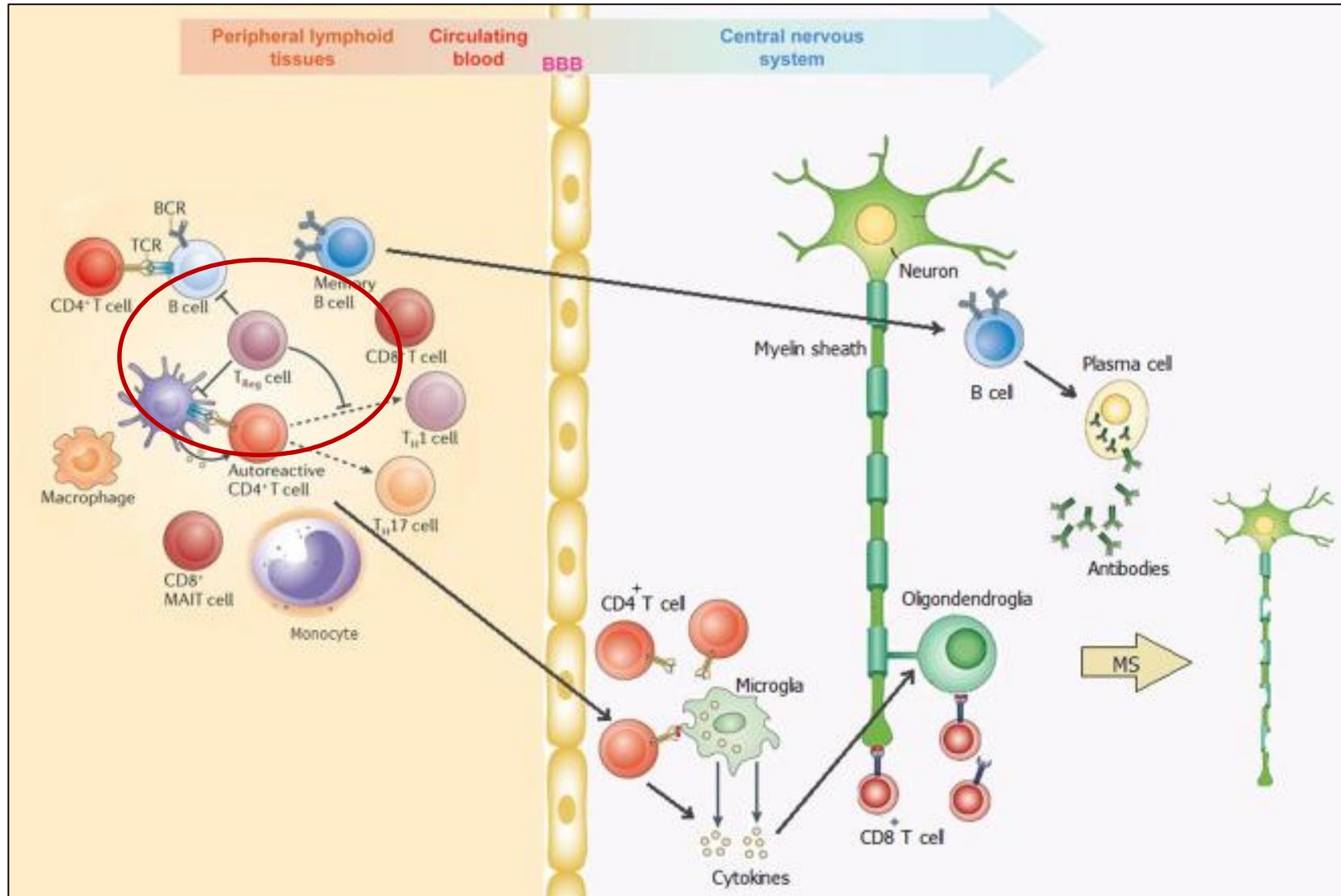


Celtherapie: tolDC



Eerste resultaten: vaccin wordt goed verdragen en blijkt veilig te zijn

Immune response at the cellular level



Celtherapie: Tregs

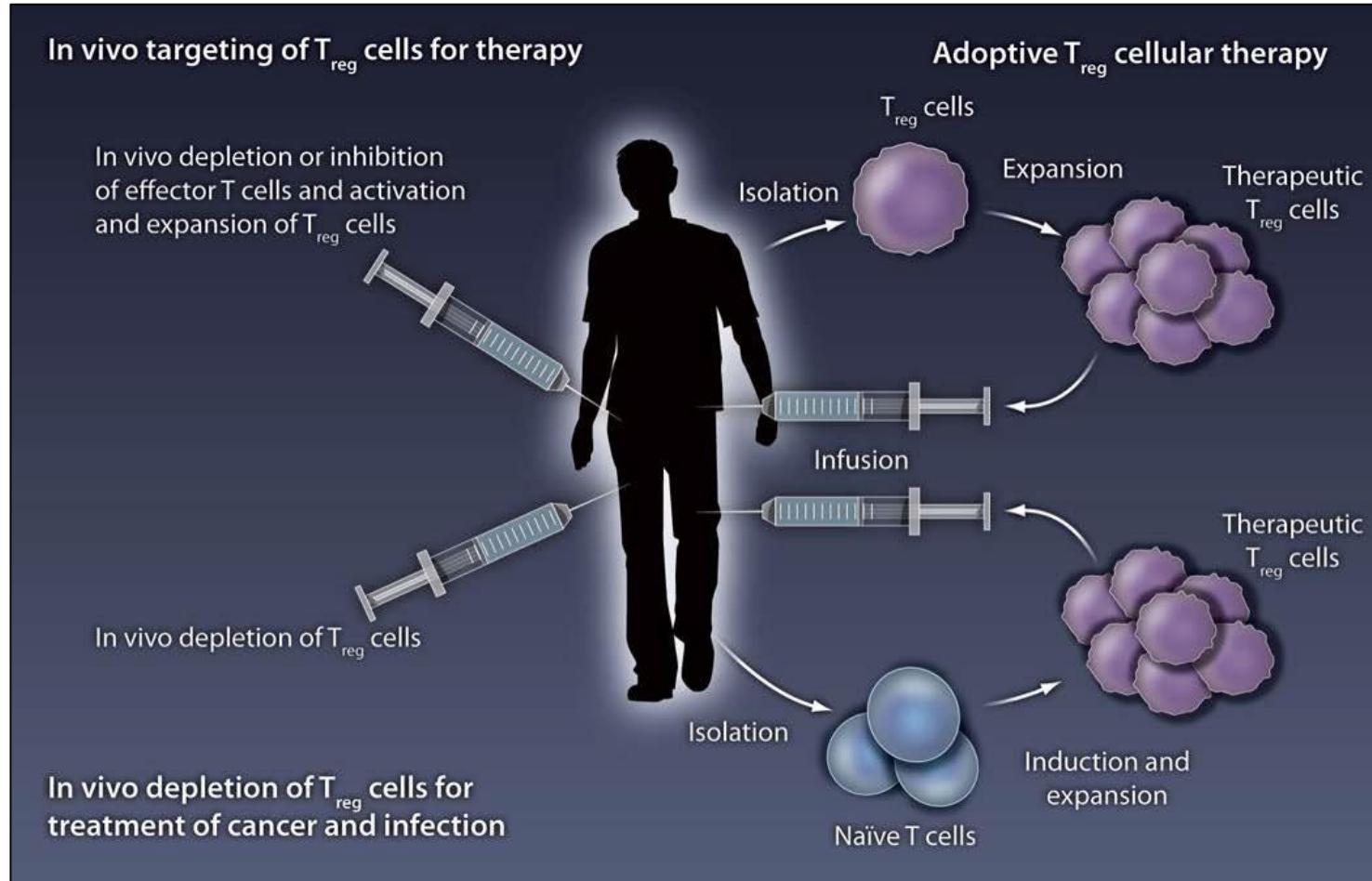
Table 1 continued

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NCT02704338	I	Expanded poly-tTregs	Autoimmune hepatitis	Not yet recruiting	Nanjing	[71]
NCT02772679	II	Expanded poly-tTregs with IL2	Recent T1DM	Recruiting	San Francisco	[71]
NCT02428309	II	Expanded poly-tTregs	Systemic lupus erythematosus	Recruiting	San Francisco	[71]
NCT02932826	I	Expanded third-party CB poly-Tregs	Recent T1DM	Recruiting	Hunan	[71]
NCT03011021	I	Expanded third-party CB poly-Tregs and liraglutide	Recent T1DM	Recruiting	Hunan	[71]
T-Rex study; NCT02691247	II	Expanded poly-tTregs	Recent T1DM	Recruiting	San Francisco, Aurora, New Haven, Gainesville, Miami, Indianapolis, Boston, Fargo, Kansas City, Portland, Sioux Falls, Nashville	[71]
Other						
NCT03101423	I	Donor poly-Tregs DLI	Beta thalassemia major	Recruiting	Nanning	[71]

CB cord blood, *CNI* calcineurin inhibitor, *DLI* donor lymphocyte infusion, *GvHD* graft vs. host disease, *HSCT* hematopoietic stem cell transplantation, *IL* interleukin, *poly-Tregs* polyclonal T regulatory cells, *poly-tTregs* polyclonal thymus-derived T regulatory cells, *T1DM* type 1 diabetes mellitus, *Tconv* T conventional cells



Celtherapie: Tregs



Samenvatting

- Immuunsysteem verstoord in kanker en auto-immunitet
 - Gebruik maken van immuunsysteem voor therapie:
 - Antilichaamtherapie
 - Celtherapie
- Om immuunbalans te herstellen
- Toekomst: gepersonaliseerde therapieën

Einde

